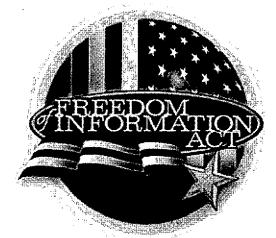
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THE DETROIT NEWS AND FREE Mob lawyer: Hoffa was strangled in ca By Frank Ragano e need to take a ride, Frank," Santo Trafficante commanded sharply one day in March 1987 while I was at his house in Tampa. Is there any particular place you want to go? I asked Wherever you feel like I just want to talk The elderly mobster, facing a heart bypass operation that he doubted he'd survive, was in a reflective mood and wanted to avoid any FBI wiretaps. A car ride was a signal that a matter of utmost secrecy was on his mind. He shuffled toward the door in his pajamas, bathrobe, slippers and a cloth cap. "Aren't you dressing?" I asked. "I can't," he explained, unbuttoning his pajama New details on disappearance The new book relationess the widely accepted belief that mob figure

Anthony Proventago and Anthony Giacalone arranged firmly Hofts

Anthony Proventago and Anthony Giacalone arranged firmly model dangerous lunatic trusted Chucke and Would go with him. O'Brien parked behind a closed Metro Detroit gas station. Two men were walting in a Lincoln for Hoffa. They hit him until he was tracked out and dragged him into the back seal of the Lincoln.

They put a rope around his neck and choked him. O'Brien, held at gunpoint by a third man, drove off after being warned to keep murn. CAPY SENTETO BUREAU

ie O'Brien would keep quiet 🛬

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Mob lawyer: Hoffa was strangled

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top to show a colostomy bag attached to the right side of his abdomen. I hadn't known he underwent colon surgery

We rode on Bayshore Boulevard in my gray Mercedes-Benz, heading foward downtown alongside Tampa Bay. When I reached the northern end, I made a U-turn — a circuit we repeated as Santo spoke.

... After reviewing other memories, he said wistfully: Marteduzzo was a good man" - referring to Teamsters union leader Jimmy Hoffa with a Sicilian code name.

Maybe I made a mistake. ... He was a good man. It's a shame what happened to him.

For the first time in our three decades together, I asked a direct question about a Mafia mystery: Sento, there is something you have to tell me. What did happen to Marteduzzo?"

He stared at the bay a few seconds before replying My friends up north had become very close with Fitz (Frank Fitzsimmons, Hoffa's successor as Teamsters head) and it looked like Marteduzzo was going to win his (federal legal) case and come back to the union. My friends didn't

They got along better with Fitz, he made more (pension fund) loans then Marteduzzo did. They didn't like him stalking to that (book) writer. They thought if Marteduzzo got back to the union, he was going to make trouble for them - and they were worried that he was talking about the loans and saying he had the goods to send people to get to Marteduzzo.

You remember I told you to tell him not to say Fitz was making bad. Pro that Chuckie is like family to loans (with union retirement mon-him, like his nephew. He couldn't cy). It was dangerous. You remem- let anything happen to him. ber me telling you that?"

I replied: I do, and I talked to Marteduzzo about that. But Santo, the man couldn't have lived unless he got back in the union. That was his life, you know that.

(Mount Capping in Space Below)

My passenger said: But Frank he trusted too many people and a lot of them double-crossed him. And you remember, just before he disappeared, I told you to tell him to be careful - not to do anything stupir I knew what was going to happen, but I couldn't tell because if word got back to my friends, I would have had a problem.

When Marteduzzo put a bomb in Fitz's son's car, Fitz thought he'd gone crazy and that the next thing he'd try to do was to kill him. Fitz got in touch with Tony Pro (Anthony Provenzano). He knew that Tony Pro hated Marteduzzo's guts. Tony Pro was a dangerous lunatic crazy, out of control

"Fitz met Tony Pro in Washington in a hotel room where Tony was staying. They talked and they decided they had to get rid of Marteduzzo before it was too late."

His word of honor'

Santo stopped. He seemed to collect his breath before resuming.

"A few days after he saw Fitz," Santo continued, Tony Pro went to Detroit and had a meeting with Tony Jack (Anthony Giacalone). They rode around in a car and Tony Pro told Tony Jack that it looked like Marteduzzo was losing his mind and that he might try and kill Fitz Then Tony Pro told Tony Jack that he had talked to the

people in New York and it was all right with them to get rid of Marte-

"Tony Pro said that Tony Jack would have to get Chuckie O Brien. Hoffa's protege, to set Marteduzzo up because he trusted Chuckie and would go with him. That was the only way they thought they could

"Tony Jack didn't want to get Chuckie involved. He told Tony

Tony Pro said, If you give me your word that Chuckie won't talk, then nothing will happen to him. Tony Jack gave his word of honor that Chuckie would keep quiet after they took care of Marteduzzo.

To get to Marteduzzo and to set: up a meeting with him, they had to go through that guy with the limousine business, the guy Marteduzzo was partners with.

-Louis Linteau, I thought to myself. He was a former Teamster official in Pontiac who had served a prison term for extortion. When Jimmy disappeared, he was running an airport limousine service in Pontiac and Jimmy was his silent

partner. Jimmy had been using him to set up meetings with people.

Again, Santo had trouble breathing, and from the corner of my eye I saw him brush perspiration from his face. He halted a few minutes before recovering his strength and voice.

"In the meantime, Tony Jack got in touch with Chuckie and told him that he was setting up a meeting between Marteduzzo and Tony Pro to work out their problems.

The afternoon of the meeting (July 30, 1975), Chuckie went by the parking lot at that restaurant near Detroit (Machus Red Fox in: Bloomfield Township). Marteduzzo was expecting Tony Jack to pick him up, and when Chuckie drove up, Marteduzzo asked what the hell

he was doing there. Chuckie told him that Tony Jack wanted him to pick Marteduzzo up because he didn't think it was a good idea for them to be seen together in public. Chuckie said he was going to drive him to the meeting with Tony Pro and Tony

Two guys were waiting's

Poor Chuckie — they used him. He didn't know what was going on,

and he followed Tony Jack's orders and drove Marteduzzo to this gas station. It was empty -- a closed gas station where they were supposed to meet Tony Jack

When they got to the gas station they drove to the rear. Tony Bayahore Boulevard for an hour, Jack had picked it because the gas and Santo seemed exhausted. We station was empty and there was a large billboard in the front, on the road, that made it impossible to see anything in the back of the station.

Chuckie pulled around to the back of the building where the rest rooms were, and these two guys were waiting in a Lincoln, the Briguglio brothers.

Who?" I interrupted. "Sal Brigugiio and his brother, Gabe; they're Tony Pro's men," Santo explained. "They were in the Lincoln and Marteduzzo got out and started walking toward the car. While he was walking, Tommy Andretta .

"Who's he?" I asked.

Tommy was another of Tony Pro's men," Santo said. "He'd been hiding in the rest room and he came out and put a gun next to Chuckie's head and he told him, Make one move and I'll blow your brains out."

While he was saying this to

Chuckie, Sal came out of the Lincoln with a gun pointed at Marteduzzo. Marteduzzo started running toward Sal, and the other brother came out of the other side of the Lincoln and got behind Marteduzzo and hit him on the back of the head with his gun. They hit him until he was knocked out and dragged him into the backseat of the Lincoln

They put a rope around his neck and choked him to death. Tommy was watching Chuckie and told him if he ever said anything he would be a dead man. He told Chuckie to get the hell away from there and Chuckie took off.

What did they do with his body?" I asked.

I don't know that and I never

My hands were tied

Santo slumped in his seat and mumbled. He was a good man. Maybe if you had gotten a hold of him, he'd still be alive today.

We had driven back and forth on returned to his home in silence

"Frank," he finally whispered, "I know how much you liked Marteduzzo. I wish I could have stopped but my hands were tied." He had trouble opening the door and alighted from the Mercedes with difficulty. After taking one or two faltering steps toward his house, he turned back and leaned through the open car window.

Frank, I guess this is goodbye. Frank, please remember, there was nothing I could do about Marteduzzo. My hands were tied. Capici? (You understand?)

During our long relationship, Santo withheld information from me - but I had never known him to lie to my face. Now, with a lifethreatening operation imminent, he would certainly relate the truth.

On the Sunday after our meeting, Santo flew to Houston and entered the Texas Heart Institute.

Two days later - on March 17. 1987 — Santo's son-in-law Augie Paniello called me at the office.
The old man died, he said. Santo, at the age of 72, had failed to survive the bypass operation.

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S'ASSOCIATED PRESS Chuckie O'Brien: The mobster said Jimmy Hoffa trusted him and would go with him.

Coming Monday in The Detroit News

Jimmy Hoffa's antagonism toward Bobby Kennedy erupted into a July 1963 attack on him at the attorney general's office in Washington, D.C. Lawyer Frank Ragano also recalls how he unwittingly delivered a message from Hoffa to the mob that may have played a role in President John F. Kennedy's assassination.

Snapshot of the

₩ Frank Ra-gano, a 71year-old lawyer 🤄 now living in Tampá. Jimmy Hoffa's personal attorney from 1960 until his disappearance in 1975. He also spent 30 years



working for Author Frank Ragano. مِير Mafia bosses

Santo Trafficante and Carlos Marcello of New Orleans. Ragano last month ended an 11-month federal prison term for tax evasion.

His insider's story was written with award-winning reporter Selwyn Raab, 59, who has covered organized crime for 20 years at The New York Times. Their book as published last week

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Principal characters



■ Frank Fitzsim mons: Former nation al head of # the Teamsters who rose to power on Jimmy Hoffa's coat

tails, then Fitzsimmons : suspected -In his disappearance. Hoffa's understudy for three decades. Fitzsimmons became executive vice president in 1967 when his mentor was imprisoned on fed-eral jury tampering charges. He was elected general president in 1971 and re-lected to another five-year term in 1976. He died of cancer in 1981 in a California clinic at 73.

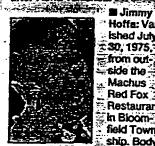
■ Tommy Andretta: An enforcer in Anthony Provenzano's mob family. Sentenced to federal prison in 1978 for labor racketeering. Questioned by FBI in Hoffa investigation.



Anthony: Giacalone: Detroit organized crime figure known as. Tony Jack." He's suspected of luring : Hoffa to the Oakland 🙈

County restaurant where the ex-Teamsters leader disappeared.

Cabriel Briguglio: Another enforcer in Provenzano's mob family. Sentenced to federal prison in 1978 for labor racketeering. Questioned by FBI soon after Hoffa vanished.



Hoffa: Vanished July **30,** 1975, from outside the Machus 🚋 Red Fox Restaurant in Bloomfield Township. Body

never was found. Mobsters refer to him as "Marteduzzo," a Sicilian code name.

Sabyatore Briguglio: Nick-Sally Bugs, he worked a brother and was like wise a suspect in Hoffa's disap pearance. Was also the suspected "bag man" for \$500,000 in Thush money allegedly raised by the Nixon White House to guarantee the silence of the Watergate burglars in 1973. At age 48, he was slain by two hooded gunmen in March 1978 on a street in New York's Little Italy



Chuckle: O'Brien: foster son 🗐 has stead € fastly de = nied any role in Holfa's disapnearance. Now 60 and living in

O'Brien Florida, O'Brien still maintains he was at a car wash getting fish blood removed from the seats about the time Hoffa disappeared from a Bloomfield Township restaurant. O'Brien, a former business agent at Local 299, was ousted from the Teamsters in 1991 for associating with organized crime figures. He filed for personal bankruptcy the same year.



official who Trafficante had been imprisoned for extortion. He ran an airport limousine service in Pontiac with Hoffa as a silent partner



no: A former Teamsey, Tony with Hoffa when they were in a federal pris-:

on in the Provenzeno : 1960s. He's suspected of setting up a 1975 peace meeting with Hoffa and orchestrating his disappearance. Provenzano was sentenced to a 20-year racketeering term in 1978. He a died at 71 in a California prison

from a 1988 heart attack:

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■ Santo Trafficante: Florida mob boss died in 1987 at 72 ---£ during a --heart oper-Linteau: Former =

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The Hoffa Disappearance

UPIPHOTO

Jimmy Hoffa, in a 1967 photo, is on his way to prison. Mob elements reportedly did not want him back as head of the Teamsters.



U.S. Depart. of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D.C. 20535

May 19, 1994

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Your letter to President Clinton concerning the kidnaping of Jimmy Hoffa was sent to the Department of Justice which recently referred it to the FBI.

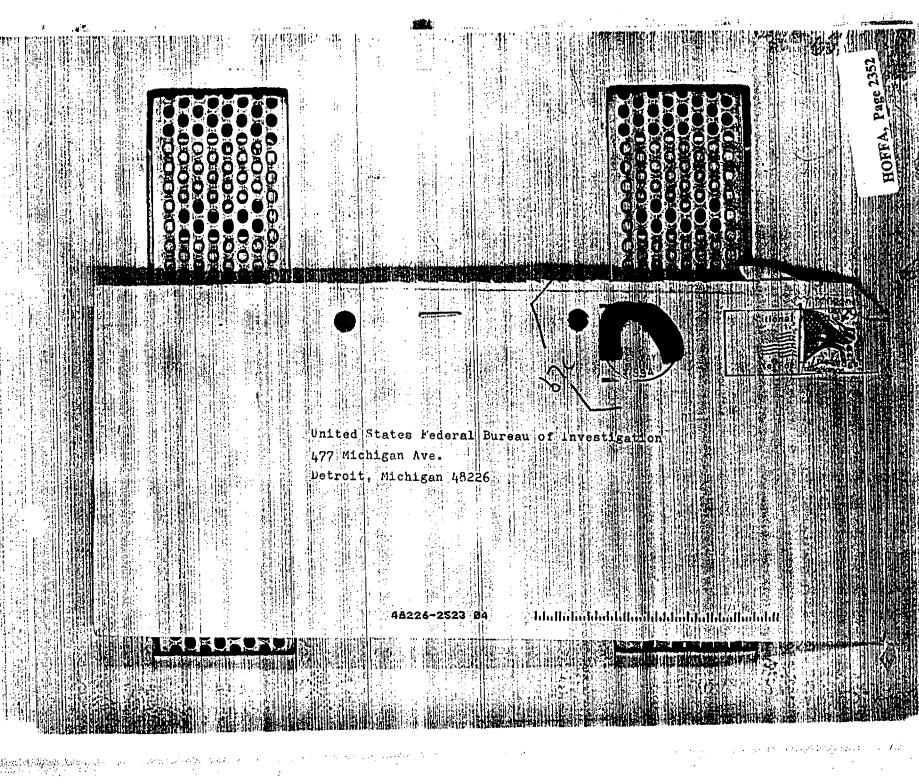
We are certainly interested in any information you can provide about the disappearance of Jimmy Hoffa. Please furnish your information to our Detroit Office located in the Federal Office Building, 477 Michigan Avenue, Detroit, Michigan 48226, telephone number (313) 965-2323.

Sincerely yours,

E. Michael Kahoe
Chief Violent Cr

Chief, Violent Crimes and Major Offenders Section

Criminal Investigative Division



Dear F.B.I.

My mame is I'm enclosing a copy of a letter sent to se from the justice wept. in washington D.C. I was in Washington last week trying to get some one to listen to me concerning the kidnapping of Teamsters Presi dent Jimmy Hoffa. 7-29-94. I was at the Hoffa kidnapping. Its easy for me to comperhend but it seems i appossible for your dept. I'm not trying to degrade your but I have a different perseption then you have. Mr. hoffa was taken fro m Macus Red Fox to the Wonderland Bowling . Thats where I was . It was paid by either st. There a ransom was paid to Heres the cause of the whole trouble. was Richard Rixons . I signed a complaint in a letter given to Senator Edward Hennedy showing four different kidnappings that Wed was involeved in and the reason woney disseppeared and I'm told by the family of the victiums that someone who looks like me took concieled what he's done and deserves to be sent to jeil. he concy. Recently I wrote a letter to Richard V man about what Hid and a-mon threw red out I the republican party. Mixon was at my art class at Lakeview Haghachool when he was atttacked and besten up by mixon suffered a stroke and died from the complications. of the stroke. Sadly a cover up was done. This is and enample of the polotical depravity shown the people of this country and even your agency. The previous leadership in our country was very poor. Even Nixon was a victium of this type of depravity the same shown the moffe ramily and my self. had more athority then the head of your Dept. Your agents couldn't possibly understood the unfair p wer ted had by wirtue of his wifes uncle. If your agents said anything aginst him that agents supervisor would get a call from rresident George Bush and youd hear some sort of depraved represent ant

that the only one you should believe is who would say to. I said ratterson were two of your problems that you people couldn't see. Until Now. They weren't all only te.meres the surprise .Senator Carl Lavine you trust heres why you can't . During the ki dnapping senator was at the house that arranged the kidnapping. The entire kidnapping was erranged by the

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masn't noticed that made it all work. The Element your looking for to solve this kinapping is the relationship between John Jotti and the family, four dept was misled on purpose by one of your own agents and an agent from the Jentral Inte-ellagence agency.

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Lawyer is a relative of I'm not sur of the spelling, he's the son-in law of the entire kidnapping was planned from that house . I talked to John Botti in that house myself. I talked to Anthoney Bigacalone in that house too. The concieled that they were even there anator Levine may even denigh that they were. Senator Levine operated a resturant

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family...hey married the else torked for the F.B.I. was one of the was at the senene of the crime and was in on it . daughter marrisd and went of college and became a medical Doctob.He also bought a house with his cut of the ransom money. worked for the East rointe Police Dept and he was in on it. second wife thats her maden name. She latter admitted that her father buried or. noffa Farm in She said Mr. noffa was buried under the house on the farm. Its a two room house that dosen t even have a foundidation and is abandoned. last summer they due up noffas body and moved it, think i heard to a house in lalled is the second wife of his tirst was are the other ones in on the kionapping. first wife was shot. is the ccusin of other daughter

bought's house in Muskegian , wich with his cut of the ather bought former president of G.M. old house ransom money. in bloomfield Hills. on Courville St. Father was slain here in the trailer Park threatened to kill my whole family if I betrayed them. is the right hand man of John Gotti. He maved from New York to find him .. checked with Senator Kennedy and he knows they couldnot find them or other top man crook. moved to stica Michigan and lived on gets on the michigan State Police Force and was able to concer 1 another of his criminal past and part in the kidnappin because of sot a hou got a house out of it. may not have been shot and may have move to Florida. other hoodlem frien was caught and sent to prison in lew lork biste. is here was l 1 sew him even beating opar. Hoffs with his fists and so was cousin was and his father they were the other ones in on bought a new house in Latterford or alcomfield Hills with the kidnepping. his cut of the money. The was in on it to and is the cousin or brother of has a kidnepping history and a conviction. got the r.B.I. to trust him and the Hoffes too. merried laughter and built a new hous with his cut of the ransom money. His wife was shot ... the first day they moved in to their new house I was told. was the governments star these and fooled them for years he was all weays in lying. I bleme the the and the the the most for what happened. They all had a hand in wh prened and got out of what they did through polotical corruption. Now you have the knowle needed to see through is the one I just remembered worked with the Troy Folice Dept as a legal

Advisor and was the mother in law of the She covered up what they did and confuse

th investigators. She also claimed to be the owner of

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was arsoned and a new resturant was rebuilt and a soned last year.

rurther proof that these people were responsible can come frome the murder of was slain last year at the Berger King Resturant on schoener and ten mile in warren. The Same resturant where Dinaha Shore was slain and a cover up was don, she was the famous singer. She was slain by either or was the other wone in on the kidnappin and says to me during the ki dnapping that he was going to take the ransom money. He didn't know wed bratta also had a sceme take the money too. Salso was given1,000,000.00 dollars of the ransom money also was given1,000,000.00 dollars of the ransom more mother lives in rennsylvania in on the Alleganey River in a trailer park only one in the town on the banks of the rive. She told me her faughter was given the maney. They swore this in a donut snop at 696 and achdemer. In warren michigan and ther were witnesses.

At the kidnapping scene its self John Gotti had his hen thare one was dimmy the treels John wotti had three sons I was told. The exact number may be wrong, however whats impor ant is that they were active members of the ki napping too. They were there with was on the Grosse painte rolice wept and latter shoots former Governor wim Blanchards wife and Edward Hennedys wife. his nother was shot she was involved in the commitseing of sunny van Bulough the friend of wachie Hennedy, who was from one of he eastern states. Last year I was marrased by at Lake view is the xir Art reacher and will stell you what a bad time I migh school and my guitar teacher will concur. It is putting him up to this treatment b got from because hes guilty and trying to st pime by causing me daily triuble even in an adult e ucation class.mr. son was kiunapped and billed by either

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is a ransom money thief who because of new r prosecuted. Both of those men are in the trust of the F .B.I. I hope at this int you are beginning to see that they were in on it too. I took a sea Cruise around le world with his wife after he stole rensom money.Last fear. is the art was trying to get he thrown leacher at classes. mt of those classes!'m fifty years old. I really home you check . There is alot more involved in this exp instion but I'm going to make this a shor'er oplination. I hope your Dept has Mr. Hoffas son talk to me for a more lengthy and prove able discussion. I hope this letter gives you am in sight in your own dept as to why m own Dept hasn't solved this kidnopping prior to this time. Simply don't make the EMX me mistake agin and trust the people you trusted in the past. Welieve me the have killed even more people to silence those voices and the hat k new what they did . They shot as many witheases as they could. Just to mention e most important and most helpful 1'll mention the murders of the 676 st year in Lacomb County . They were friends of the cousin, on the Macomb County Sherriffs Dept. during the kidnapping.ais sister Mur dered one of the wered for the mailey at the Cle r water Camp groun in Clarkston and she also murdered who was also one of the people involved in trying to save a many lawyer in shot his son too. agin proving guilt. I helped him figure out the kidnepping d they shot him when he confronted the mabout it. second consin bille killed from Penn. a lawyer i talked to shout other of the phoney will Probated in Penn. I told what did and hilled him. shot him and concieled what he did. ch was from Indiana renn. t the head off of one of the he may be another frien of the er a rela I think he was a relative of the e. There was a another man named volved too. Last year fifteen of my friends were kidnepped and slain by the relative κ

of the and the covered up what happeded, also the

These same people are behind the kidnapping what they did last year should be proof bough that they're untrust worthy and were considered during the kidnapping as being trust worthy. I hope this areif brief letter is enough for you dept to learn from it a mistakes and come up with the right plot this time. If I can be of further help I'd be happy to help in any way I can. I even tried to help in Washington and found it all nost impossible to get the needed cooperation even to biscuss the simpleest detail.

I got the runaround. Even there.

Respedtfully

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June 1, 1994

FB1 C-8 477 Michigen Avenue 26th Floor Detroit, MI 48226

Dear Sir:

Just a note to let you know I've moved, but then you probably already know that! By new address is listed above.

I was looking at one of the pictures of Mr. Hoffa's car, that is J.R. Hoffa, and I noticed the license plate listed the letters HRH. Does that stand for Howard R. Hughes. Seems Hr. Hoffa knew everyone else under the sun, I'm sure knowing Mr. Hughes was a possibility.

The mid-70's is an interesting time period to follow.

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- 1. Mr. Hoffa disappeared, 1975
- 2. Mr. Mark Donohue "died", 1975
- 3. Kr. Hughes died, 1976
- 4. fir. Elmer George was murdered, 1976
- 5. Mr. Hulman "died", 1977
- 5. A plane load of USAC officials was killed, 1979 after races in Reding and Trenton, PA
- 7. CART (Championship Auto Racing Teams) and USAC (United States Auto Club) split in the on-going war of championship auto racing.

The picture I forwarded to you earlier of Mr. Penske, the unknown male to his right and the male in the rear, caught with his pants down was 1978. I can't help but believe there is a connection here somewhere. Haybe someone from the Penske organization could enlighten you, such as

or the unknown male in that picture, if anyone can figure out who he is. I've written to the Penske organization about that picture, but it seems they have broken fingers and can't write! I saw them walking around at the Speedway on the TV news reports. At least they don't have broken legs...yet!

One nove interesting point, I believe used to work for the Playboy organization.

Seems like cotton tails and Hugh Hefner are into everything! I guess it's just chincidence that Hugh Hefner and Howard Hughes have the same initials.

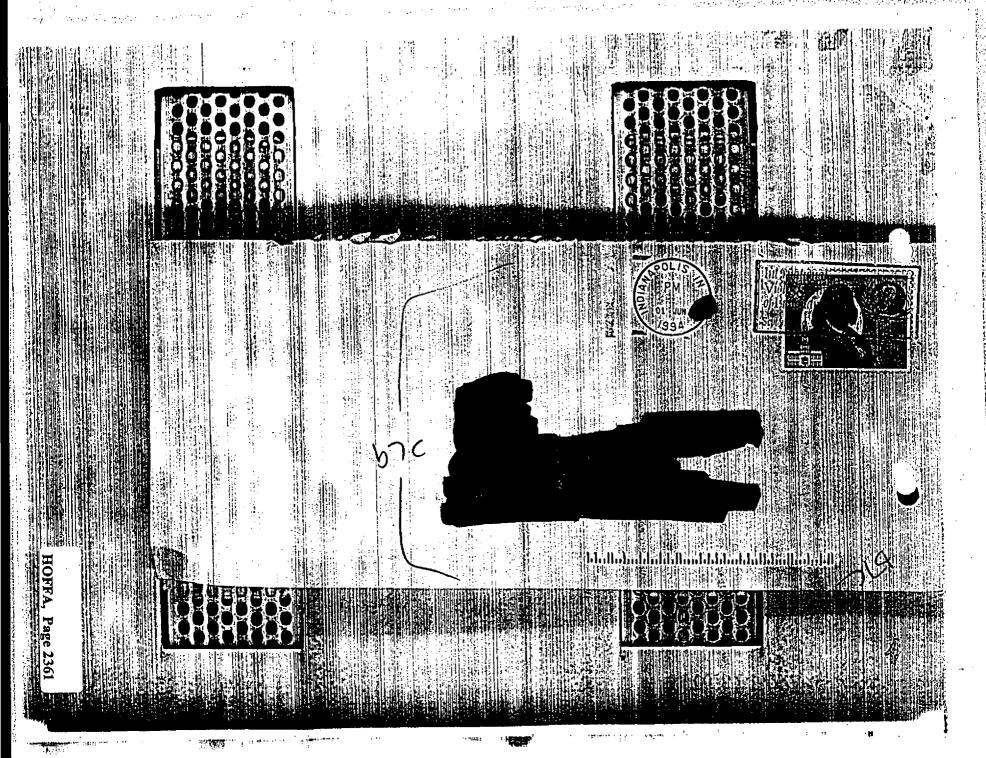
If you ever find out anything more of Mr. Hoffa, would you please let me know. If you find his body, perhaps you could move him from place to place to see how many people you could catch.

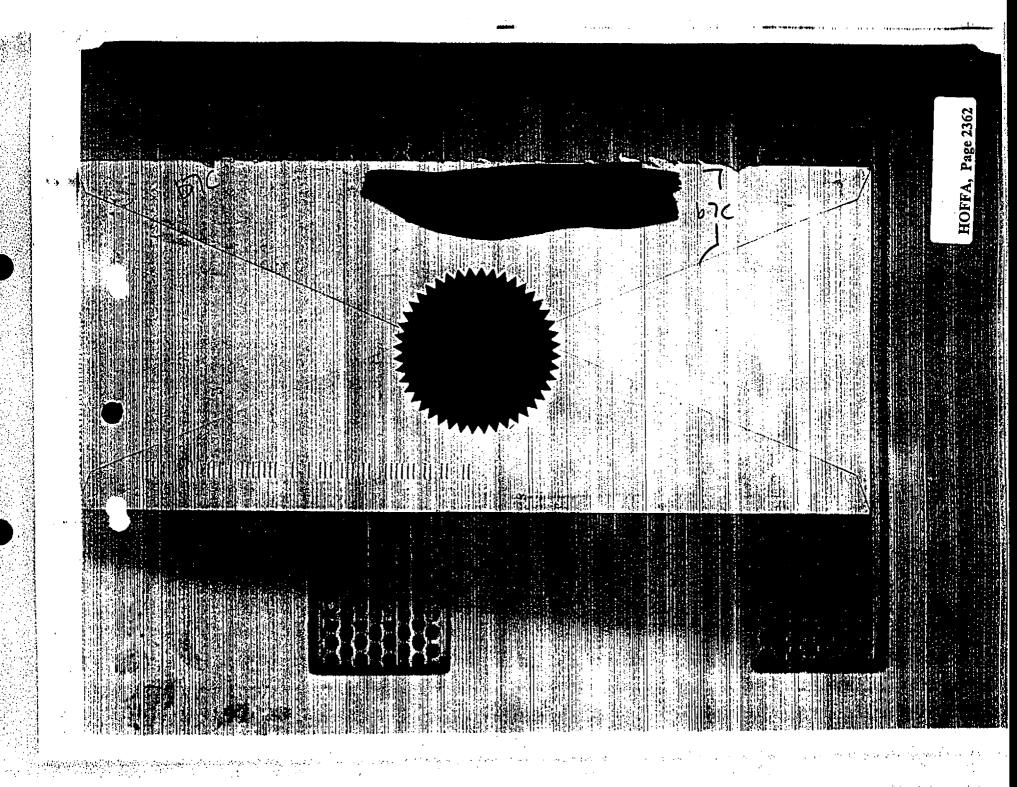
I wonder if all this began in the early 50°s. That's when Mr. Hughes had a complete change in personality and became a recluse. Perhaps he "died" much sooner than we think, and Mr. Hughes from 1953 or 1954 on was a fake.

So much for conjecture, at least it gives you something to think about. If the Feds ever need to

June 1, 1994 Page Two of Two charter a flight, you might try American Trans Air. They have a sales office in Dearborn HI.

Is the man you need to talk to. He knows me! If you just mant to go to LAS, try Key Tours, they are ATA's main customer in DTW = If you'd like to fly out of HKE try Furnay Holidays. I think he's still there. Have a sice day and let me know if learn anything new about Hr. Hoffa. Sincere P.S. If you're ever in Indianapolis, stop by cross from the on a thursday night 8:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. or Monday night 8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.





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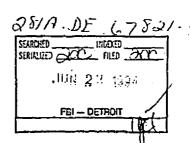
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Re Detroit's teletype to Chicago dated 4/11/94.

Enclosed for Detroit is one (1) xerox copy of Chicago Police Department's report dated 3/12/94, detailing the arrest of **67C**

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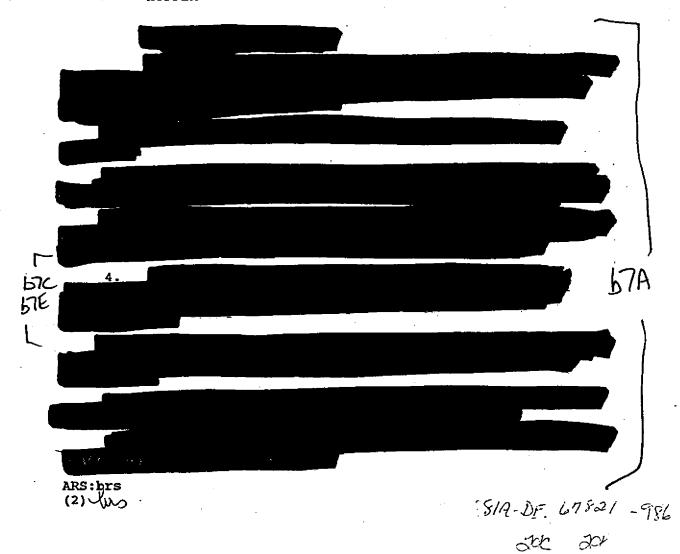
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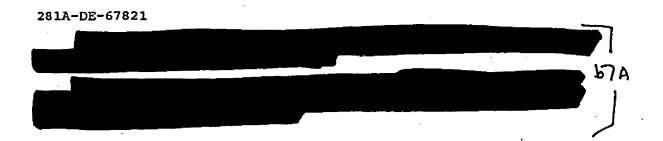
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Dearborn, Michigan, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents and the purpose of the interview. She then provided the following information:

JIMMY HOFFA is buried in the basement of a farm house near the intersection of Pike and Kysar Roads near Ionia, Michigan. She was present in July of 1975 when a body was buried in the house's basement and another one in a mass grave. The mass grave is located in a corn field behind the house. One of the three people burying the bodies looked like JAMES P. HOFFA (Jr.). One of the other men was carrying a shotgun. After observing the burial she began to walk around the property, but she was hemmed in by a six foot barbed wire fence. At that time she was chased by a bull who kneed her in the back when they rolled down a hill together. The bull rolled off of her and then charged three small trees four times. On the fourth charge the bull collapsed and she escaped two and one half hours later by crawling under the fence where she deeply scarred her bottom, which she offered to show the interviewing Agents (the offer was declined). After escaping the bull she ran to a nearby white farmhouse (since destroyed)_and saw an acquaintance, (died in 1976). Let her in the house because she had use the bathroom. While in the bathroom she cleaned the blood

off her face and threw the towel on the floor and ran outside.

helped her drive away but mentioned during the drive that she and HOFFA would make great grave mates.

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February 13, 1995

Dear Mr. O'Brien;

Let me introduce myself. My name is Andrew Sluss, I am a FBI agent in Detroit. One of my case assignments is the disappearance of James R. Hoffa.

I believe that talking with you will assist the investigation. I am well aware that you are probably not the biggest fan of the FBI, but nonetheless your assistance in this case will be helpful.

I do not consider you a suspect in this matter.

If you would like an attorney present while we talk, that is fine.

Sincerely:

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477 Michigan Avenue

Detroit, Michigan 48226

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The call came on a Friday morning, March 13, 1987. Over the telephone the thin, weary voice was almost unrecognizable, and it took several seconds for me to identify it as Santo's. He spoke in Sicilian, in uncustomary staccato phrases, and between long gasps I could hear him wheezing. "Frank, please come and see me today. Things are not good. I want to talk to you. It's very important."

To maintain our association on a businesslike basis, I suggested he come to my office.

"No, Frank, it's impossible. And I don't want to talk over the phone. Believe me, it's important."

Decades of association with Santo had taught me that he was a man of understatement. The formal barriers I had erected between us were steep and he would have been too proud to grovel for an urgent meeting unless the situation was grave. Seven months had passed since the RICO case, and we had not spoken after parting on the courthouse steps on the day the charges against him had been dismissed. Some two months after the trial, Nancy and I were dining at Lauro's restaurant when Santo, looking more robust than he had at the trial, walked in with several relatives and waved at us. I nodded back stiffly but Nancy refused to recognize his salutation. He sent a bottle of wine to our table that Nancy wanted me to send back. Not to cause a scene, I accepted the wine, with a curt nod to Santo.

Driving to his home on that Friday afternoon, I was unable to anticipate what new legal scrape he might be in. The labor-racketeering charges in Miami had been dropped and there had been no hint through the legal grapevine or in the newspapers that a new indictment was brewing

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against him. Regardless of his problems, I was determined to reject him as a client. The RICO trial had been my court finale with Santo.

As I pulled into the driveway of his home in Parkland Estates, I wondered if the FBI still maintained an observation post a hundred feet away, on the other side of a triangular-shaped parklet that divided the roadway. Did they still bother to check periodically on license-plate numbers to determine who visited Santo, and did they still shadow him? The Parkland Estates had been one of Tampa's ritziest neighborhoods when Santo moved in, thirty-five years earlier, but new and more affluent waterfront developments supplanted it as one of the city's upscale sections. Santo's ranch-style home, with its yellow bricks and white-tiled barrel roof, still looked comfortable, but like the rest of the area it now seemed plain, middle class, and undistinguished.

For security purposes and to prevent lawmen from easily breaking into his home in a surprise raid, Santo had long ago installed a filigreed-metal gate at the front entrance. Later he also placed vertical metal bars on all the windows of the one-story house.

Josie opened the front door and, fiddling with keys, unlocked the gate. Ever the traditional wife, she wore a plain housedress. She looked drawn and worried, but before we could exchange greetings Santo stepped out of the shadows from the master bedroom in the rear of the foyer. Dressed in gray pajamas and a matching terry-cloth robe, he wobbled in a flat-footed gait rather than walked. He had aged radically. His cheeks were hollow, his skin wrinkled like parchment. He must have lost twenty or thirty pounds and weighed no more than 130, compared to his normal weight of 170 or 180 pounds in his prime. There was no longer any mystery about this emergency meeting. Santo was dying.

He welcomed me without a handshake or an embrace, indicating with a quick motion of his head that I should follow him into the crescent-shaped Florida or family room to the left of the foyer. The living room, decorated in French Provincial style, with brocade upholstered couches and chairs, and paintings of Paris street scenes on the wall, was on the right of the foyer. When we were cumbati, conversations in the living room dealt with banal matters that Santo considered uncompromising. The crescent-shaped room was where we discussed sensitive legal or financial affairs because Santo, for some reason, believed it was secure from electronic eavesdropping. The rattan furniture in the room could hold six or seven people comfortably, but during our private meetings, the room was off-limits to Santo's relatives. Although eight windows could provide ample light, the room was in semi-darkness with

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venetian blinds and drapes drawn over each window.

"I want to talk to you privately," he said, flicking on the television. Even here, he always turned on the TV or radio to interfere with possible bugs. I sat in a chair, but Santo motioned me to sit next to him on the couch.

"Frank, there are a lot of things I have to tell you," he began. "You know I had a bypass operation about a year ago in Houston. I thought everything was going to be all right, but I've been having a lot of problems lately, a lot of chest pains. I've been taking a lot of Nitrostat. My arteries are clogged up all over again and I need another bypass surgery."

His voice was so feeble that the TV audio almost drowned him out, and I inched closer to hear more clearly as he continued talking slowly in Sicilian.

"My cardiologist tells me that if I don't have another bypass, I'll live maybe six months, a year at the most. If I have the bypass, I can have another two or three years. But my cardiologist and kidney specialist here in Tampa say my kidneys are so bad that I won't make it. I went to Houston where I had the first operation, and they tell me dialysis doesn't matter and I can have the surgery. So what it means is that if I don't have the operation, I'll live less than a year. If I have it and it's successful, I have another couple of years."

He had difficulty speaking and paused frequently to regain his breath.

"I decided to roll the dice and take my chances with the bypass. Frank, the chances are I won't be coming back. That's the reason I want to talk to you."

It was hard to believe that Santo would ever acknowledge a wrong, but I thought he was leading up to a deathbed apology for the harm he had caused me and my family. Instead he rambled on about his regrets concerning his own life.

"Looking back, I see I made a lot of mistakes. I thought we would never stop making all that money in Cuba; those were great times. But I made a mistake putting so much money into Cuba, and it wasn't fair to my brothers. Some of it was theirs. Who would have known that crazy guy, Castro, was going to take over and close the casinos?"

His thoughts turned to the Teamsters' pension-fund loans that both of us had been involved in. "We met a lot of crazy guys: Ashley, Rizzo, Steve in Las Vegas. Remember Ashley? You know, he gave me \$3,000 cash every month for the hospital loan, and he even brought it

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to Tampa when I was here. He was some guy. Every Christmas he gave me a big bonus. It was good pocket money."

I listened with dismay. For twenty years Santo collected \$3,000 every month and a "Christmas bonus" for the Hialeah hospital loan, a deal in which Ashley had cheated me out of my share. Santo had secretly worked out a separate arrangement with Ashley. Had Santo given me \$1,000 a month of that \$3,000 when I was destitute, it would have been a lifesaver. He kept it for himself as mere pocket money.

Wrapped in his own reveries Santo was oblivious to how his hospital deal with Ashley, at my expense, might have affected me.

"Another thing, if I had to do it over again, I don't think I would get married. A man is better off without a wife and children. I should never have gotten close to the wives and children of people I do business with, because you come to like their families and when they do something wrong and you have to do something to them, you start worrying about their families."

It was another revelation. Santo was indirectly admitting that he had ordered the murders of disloyal members of his organization. The first name that came to mind was Joe Bedami, who had worked for Santo and had been my client before he vanished from the face of the earth in the early 1960s.

"We need to take a ride, Frank," he commanded sharply. In the past, an automobile trip was a signal that it was a matter of utmost secrecy.

He shuffled out of the room and returned quickly, still dressed in his pajamas and bathrobe. All he had added to his attire was a cloth cap.

"Aren't you dressing?" I asked.

"I can't," he explained, unbuttoning his pajama top to point to a colostomy bag, the size of a large orange, attached to the right side of his abdomen. "It's miserable and uncomfortable," he added morosely. Until then, I had been unaware that in addition to his other medical problems, he had undergone a colonectomy.

"Josie, we're going to take a ride," he announced, in the loudest voice he could muster, as he headed toward the door.

"You can't go out looking like that," she said, emerging from the kitchen, hesitating before she pulled out the key to the metal gate.

"I want to talk to Frank," he said in his old imperious manner.

"Look after him," Josie whispered to me in Sicilian.

The few steps down from the door to my car were difficult for him

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to manage. If the FBI was watching he must have presented a strange sight: a shrunken old man, in billowing pajamas, an oversized bathrobe, and inelegant cap, tottering in slippers from his doorway. Without my help and after a slight struggle with the door, he seated himself with a sigh of fatigue in my gray Mercedes-Benz.

"Is there any particular place you want to go?" I asked.

"Wherever you feel like. I just want to talk."

The temperature was in the low eighties, a breezeless day with a velvet, azure sky. I drove toward Bayshore Boulevard, which was four or five minutes away. Curving gently around Hillsborough Bay, the boulevard was the most scenic road in Tampa. With only two traffic lights and little traffic, it would be an ideal route for our drive.

Santo began talking again about Cuba. "Remember I told you we would look back on those times, and they would seem like the good old days. You struggle all your life and then one day it's all over, Che, and you say, 'What happened to the time, where did it go?'"

For the first time since our split in 1976, he called me by the affec-

tionate nickname he had given me-"Che."

The car was well insulated against outside noise and, without competition from a TV set, his voice was clearer. Suddenly, without a logical transition, his talk shifted to the Kennedys.

"That Bobby made life miserable for me and my friends. The biggest mistake of my life was not taking pictures of the president when he was in Cuba; that was a bad mistake." His memory was of the 1950s when he and his casino partner, Evaristo Garcia, had set up Senator John Kennedy in the Commodoro Hotel with three prostitutes in a room with a two-way mirror.

"Who would have thought that someday he would be president and he would name his goddamn brother attorney general? Goddamn Bobby. I think Carlos fucked up in getting rid of Giovanni—maybe it should have been Bobby."

To my astonishment, abruptly and without warning, he was confessing that he and Carlos Marcello had conspired to kill the president. "Giovanni" was John in Italian. I considered pulling over to a side street and parking so we could discuss this fully, but I drove on as he repeated the admission.

Those electrifying words—Carlos é futtutu. Non duvevamu ammazzari a Giovanni. Duvevamu ammazzari a Bobby ("We shouldn't have killed Giovanni. We should have killed Bobby,")—struck with the force of a sledgehammer. My thoughts whirled in confusion, and suddenly I realized that I was driving in a semi-trance. I steeled myself to pay attention to the

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road and the oncoming traffic. A rational element in me cried out to stop, to listen, to flesh out in a careful, lawyerly fashion the details of Santo's involvement in the conspiracy and murder. But a contradictory impulse made me want to stifle all thoughts of Kennedy's death and my possible complicity in the assassination. Now the facts and clues that I had subconsciously suppressed for more than two decades could no longer be ignored: Carlos, Santo, and Jimmy undoubtedly had roles in Kennedy's death; they had planned to murder him and they used me as an unwitting accomplice in their scheme. Most likely I had delivered the message, or signal, from Hoffa that he was desperate to proceed with the assassination. Wrestling with conflicting emotions I was too stunned to ask coherent questions about Kennedy's death. The ritual I had practiced all those years when I had been intimidated and fearful of prying into Santo's Mafia business still controlled my tongue. I remained silent, crushed with humiliation, waiting for Santo to continue, although every word he had said about Kennedy was a stake driven into my heart.

We drove in silence for several minutes. Santo stared straight ahead, his hands trembling on his knees. He made no attempt to establish eye contact with me or to gauge my reaction to his revelations.

The four-and-a-half-mile drive on Bayshore Boulevard took about ten minutes. When I reached the northern end as we approached downtown Tampa, I made a U-turn. Perhaps as an escape mechanism to block out the harsh reality of Santo's disclosure, my mind flashed back to happier associations with Bayshore Boulevard. In my lifetime, almost every area of Tampa had been transformed or bulldozed by urban development. The only section that had not been inexorably altered was Bayshore Boulevard. Almost a half century ago, I bicycled along the boulevard, delivering newspapers to the stately white and pastel-colored homes that still existed-gracious houses that seemed as timeless as the bay. On the other side of the four-lane roadway, the clamoring gulls and cranes swooped over the water or rested on the railings along the promenade, the same place from which I, as a boy, gazed enviously at the full sweep of elegant homes, fantasizing that one day I also would have the wealth to live there. In high school and in my teenage years, Bayshore Boulevard had been the romantic setting for moonlight drives with girls, sentimental ballads playing on the car radio. The boulevard was a link to my innocent past, the time before I knew Santo Trafficante and before there was the slightest scar on my conscience.

Santo interrupted my musings by bringing up the subject of Jimmy

Hoffa. I was grateful that he was not talking about President Kennedy.

"Marteduzzo was a good man," Santo said. "Maybe I made a mistake there, too, Che. Maybe if I hadn't recommended you to my friends in Chicago to represent Marteduzzo you wouldn't have had all the problems you had."

For the first time in his recollections he hinted at regret for my difficulties, but he was twisting the facts. My representation of Jimmy might have added to the government's zeal to get me, but the main reason I became a target was because of my ties to Santo.

"He was a good man," Santo said wistfully of Jimmy. "It's a shame

what happened to him."

Unlike the agony I felt hearing Santo admit to his part in the Kennedy assassination, I felt no guilt or self-condemnation about Jimmy's death, and for the first time in our three decades together I asked Santo a direct question about a Mafia mystery. "Santo, there is something you have to tell me," I said finally. "What did happen to Marteduzzo?"

He stared at the bay for a few seconds before replying. "My friends up North had become very close with Fitz, and it looked like Marteduzzo was going to win his case and come back to the union. My friends didn't want him back. They got along better with Fitz; he made more loans than Marteduzzo did. They didn't like him talking to that writer. They thought if Marteduzzo got back to the union he was going to make trouble for them, and they were worried that he was talking about the loans and saying he had the goods to send people to jail.

"You remember I told you to tell him not to say Fitz was making bad loans. It was dangerous. You remember me telling you that?"

"I do, and I talked to Marteduzzo about that," I said. "But Santo, the man couldn't have lived unless he got back in the union. That was his life, you know that."

"But Che, he trusted too many people and a lot of them doublecrossed him. And you remember, just before he disappeared, I told you to tell him to be careful, not to do anything stupid. I knew what was going to happen, but I couldn't tell you because if word got back to

my friends, I would have had a problem.

"When Marteduzzo put a bomb in Fitz's son's car, Fitz thought he'd gone crazy and that the next thing he'd try to do was to kill him. Fitz got in touch with Tony Pro [Anthony "Tough Tony" Provenzano]. He knew that Tony Pro hated Marteduzzo's guts. Tony Pro was a dangerous lunatic, crazy, out of control. You remember that fight he had with Marteduzzo in prison?

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"Fitz met Tony Pro in Washington in a hotel room where Tony was staying. They talked and they decided they had to get rid of Marteduzzo before it was too late."

Santo stopped. He seemed to be collecting his breath before resuming. I kept driving the entire north-south length of Bayshore Boulevard, making U-turns at each end.

"A few days after he saw Fitz," Santo continued, "Tony Pro went to Detroit and had a meeting with Tony Jack [Anthony Giacalone]. They rode around in a car and Tony Pro told Tony Jack that it looked like Marteduzzo was losing his fucking mind and that he might try and kill Fitz. Then Tony Pro told Tony Jack that he had talked to the people in New York and it was all right with them to get rid of Marteduzzo. Tony Pro said that Tony Jack would have to get Chuckie to set Marteduzzo up because he trusted Chuckie and would go with him. That was the only way they thought they could get to Marteduzzo.

"Tony Jack didn't want to get Chuckie involved. He told Tony Pro that Chuckie is like family to him, like his nephew. [Chuckie's mother had been Tony Jack's lover.] He couldn't let anything happen to him. Tony Pro said, 'If you give me your word that Chuckie won't talk, then nothing will happen to him.' Tony Jack gave his word of honor that Chuckie would keep quiet after they took care of Marteduzzo.

"To get to Marteduzzo and to set up a meeting with him, they had to go through that guy with the limousine business, the guy Marteduzzo was partners with; I forget the guy's name."

Louis Linteau, I thought to myself. He was a former Teamster official in Pontiac who had served a prison term for extortion. When Jimmy disappeared, he was running an airport limousine service in Pontiac and Jimmy was his silent partner. Jimmy had been using him as a gofer to set up meetings with people.

Again, Santo had trouble breathing, and from the corner of my eye I saw him brush perspiration from his face. He halted for a few minutes before recovering his strength and his voice.

"In the meantime, Tony Jack got in touch with Chuckie and told him that he was setting up a meeting between Marteduzzo and Tony Pro to work out their problems. The afternoon of the meeting, Chuckie went by the parking lot at that restaurant near Detroit. Marteduzzo was expecting Tony Jack to pick him up and, when Chuckie drove up, Marteduzzo asked what the hell he was doing there. Chuckie told him that Tony Jack wanted him to pick Marteduzzo up because he didn't think it was a good idea for them to

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be seen together in public. Chuckie said he was going to drive him to the meeting with Tony Pro and Tony Jack.

"Poor Chuckie; they used him. He didn't know what was going on, and he followed Tony Jack's orders and drove Marteduzzo to this gas station. It was empty—a closed gas station where they were supposed to meet Tony Jack. When they got to the gas station they drove to the rear. Tony Jack had picked it because the gas station was empty-and there was a large billboard in the front, on the road, that made it impossible to see anything in the back of the station.

"Chuckie pulled around to the back of the building where the rest rooms were, and these two guys were waiting in a Lincoln, the Briguglio brothers."

"Who?" I interrupted.

"Sal Briguglio and his brother, Gabe; they're Tony Pro's men," Santo explained. "They were in the Lincoln and Marteduzzo got out and started walking toward the car. While he was walking Tommy Andretta..."

"Who's he," I asked.

"Tommy was another of Tony Pro's men," Santo said. "He'd been hiding in the rest room and he came out and put a gun next to Chuckie's head and he told him, 'Make one move and I'll blow your fucking brains out.'

"While he was saying this to Chuckie, Sal came out of the Lincoln with a gun pointed at Marteduzzo. Marteduzzo started running toward Sal, and the other brother came out of the other side of the Lincoln and got behind Marteduzzo and hit him on the back of the head with his gun. They hit him until he was knocked out and dragged him into the backseat of the Lincoln.

"They put a rope around his neck and choked him to death. Tommy was watching Chuckie and told him if he ever said anything he would be a dead man. He told Chuckie to get the hell away from there and Chuckie took off."

"What did they do with his body?" I asked.

"I don't know that and I never asked." Santo slumped in his seat and mumbled, "He was a good man. Maybe if you had gotten ahold of him, he'd still be alive today."

We had driven back and forth on Bayshore Boulevard for an hour, and Santo seemed exhausted. We returned to his home in silence. I pulled up as close as I could to his door and, for five or ten minutes, neither of us said a word. He looked drained, too fatigued to go on.

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"Che," he finally whispered, "I knew how much you liked Marteduzzo. I wish I could have stopped it, but my hands were tied."

"Tell Josie to call me after the operation and let me know how you're doing," I said to break the silence that had crept over us again.

"Josie thinks I'm going to be back, but I don't think so."

He had trouble opening the door and alighted from the car with difficulty. After taking one or two faltering steps toward his house turned back, and leaned through the open car window. "Che, I guess this is good-bye. Che, please remember, there was nothing I could do about Marteduzzo. My hands were tied. Capici? [You understand?]"

I drove away, feeling more wretched than ever before in my life. Driving randomly, I wanted to reconsider everything he had said while it was fresh in my mind. During our long relationship Santo withheld information from me, but I had never known him to lie to my face. Now, with a life-threatening operation imminent, he would certainly relate the truth.

Racing through my mind were fragments of conversations with Santo, Carlos, and Jimmy that touched upon Kennedy's assassination—a kaleidoscope of events that now made sense. In my loyalty to the three men I had ignored basic logic and obvious hints: each of them had participated actively or behind the scenes in the assassination. They had been part of a conspiracy, or knew that one had been hatched against Kennedy's life. Most probably, Carlos and Santo plotted against the president for their own selfish reasons—not just to aid Jimmy Hoffa. Jimmy could not have intimidated or given orders to these powerful Mafia bosses. His personal war with the Kennedys may have influenced them, but it was not the sole factor guiding them.

Santo's description of Hoffa's death and the reasons for his murder was undoubtedly accurate. The way he pictured Jimmy trying to hurl himself at the gunman dovetailed perfectly with the explanation Jimmy had offered after he was shot by a pellet gun in the Nashville courtroom: always charge a gunman and flee from an assailant with a knife, he had advised so confidently.

Santo knew beforehand that a hit was planned. Days before Jimmy disappeared, Santo had urged me to warn Jimmy of an imminent threat. In addition to being guilt-ridden about President Kennedy's assassination, I now bore the remorse of having failed to alert Jimmy. It was small consolation to know that even if I had contacted him, my vague warning probably would have gone unheeded. He was obsessed

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with challenging Fitz, and the Northern mobsters were determined to eliminate him. Nevertheless, I had misread Santo's alarm and had tried only halfheartedly to reach Jimmy on the telephone.

Deep in the recesses of Santo's conscience, he perhaps understood that he was responsible for the death of a president and an incalculable alteration of history. But be showed no contrition for the consequences of that act; he could only regret that the terminedys had created problems for him. His confession was as cold-blooded, unrepentant, and selfish as the ethos that had governed his life.

It had escaped his attention that he had betrayed me and caused suffering to my family. I could never forgive him for hiding facts about Sam Rizzo's Mafia background, steering me into a tax-evasion conviction, and then discarding me when I needed financial help.

No apology was forthcoming from him, no gratitude for my having helped him escape from Fidel Castro's firing squad and from prison sentences in the United States. What he had offered were unremorseful explanations for his actions and always that lame excuse, "My hands were tied." Those were the identical words he used when it was a question of standing by me in the tax-evasion investigation or protecting Rizzo, the man his Northern pals wanted to safeguard.

"My hands were tied" was his rationale for permitting the murder of Jimmy Hoffa.

Enfeebled and ill, he had no one but me to talk to and confide in. Carlos Marcello, his most trusted Mafia ally, was in prison. Santo had always withheld his darkest secrets from his brothers and the underlings in his organization, believing they were too unreliable or unintelligent to be confidents. He still viewed me as the protégé who would be sympathetic to his egotistical musings on life, someone he could burden with his problems. That was my legacy from him.

Santo, who had always frowned on raw profanity, had uncharacteristically used it when speaking of the Kennedy assassination and Hoffa's murder. He was shedding the restraints of a lifetime. For the first time he had spoken freely, and in crude language, of Mafia crimes.

That weekend I researched the backgrounds of the men Santo had identified as the killers of Jimmy Hoffa. There were two Briguglio brothers who had been close to Tony Pro—Salvatore, known as "Sally Bugs," and Gabriel, called "Gabe." The third man, Tommy Andretta, was another enforcer in Provenzano's family. The trio had been among a score of Provenzano's men who had been questioned and released by the FBI in the early days of the Hoffa investigation.

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Three years after Jimmy's disappearance, in March 1978, Sally Bugs was gunned down by two hooded men on a street corner in New York's Little Italy section. Later that year, Tony Pro, Gabe Briguglio, and Tommy Andretta were each sentenced to long prison terms for labor racketeering. Tony Pro never completed his sentence, dying of a heart attack in prison.

On the Sunday after our meeting, Santo flew to Houston and entered the Texas Heart Institute. Two days later, on Tuesday, March 17, 1987, Santo's son-in-law Augie Paniello called me at the office. "The old man died," he said. Santo, at the age of seventy-two, had failed to survive the bypass operation.

A private funeral was held for him at the L'Unione Italiana Cemetery, a burial ground established by an Italian immigrants' fraternal association from Ybor City. More than a hundred relatives and invited moumers watched as his silver-colored coffin, blanketed with red roses, was interred in a vault in an above-ground mausoleum.

Santo's loyal followers from his organization attended. But none of the new breed of Mafioso dons from other cities came or sent a representative to show their respect, a time-honored Mafia tradition when a major Cosa Nostra figure dies a natural death. Santo's generation of godfathers—Sam Giancana from Chicago, Tommy Lucchese and Carlo Gambino from New York—were dead. His cumbate and closest ally, Carlos Marcello, was in prison.

There was no church service or requiem mass. At the cemetery, I looked on as a prayer for Santo's soul was offered by a priest, Monsignor Lawrence Higgins, who may have summarized his existence in a handful of words:

"A lot of people judged him on earth. But the final judge will be God."

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Enclosed for Detroit is the original and one copy of an FD-302 reflecting the interview of FRANK RAGANO.

As stated in the FD-302, RAGANO advised he would not take a polygraph concerning information which was contained in Chapter 29 of his book entitled Mob Lawyer. RAGANO stated he stands by the information as being accurate and would truthfully testify in a court of law concerning the information if needed. RAGANO also stated that he always, as an attorney, advised his clients not to take a polygraph examination, and he would follow his own advice at this time.

In view of the fact that no further investigation remains outstanding in Tampa, this matter is being considered RUC.

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FRANK RAGANO was contacted on June 22, 1995 and furnished the following information:
RAGANO'S attention to Chapter 29 of his book, Mob Lawyer. This
chapter is captioned "My Hands Were Tied". RAGANO stated he
stood by the information which was contained in Chapter 29 as being accurate, however, he would not take a polygraph concerning
the information. RAGANO stated that as an attorney, he always
advised his clients never to take a polygraph examination due to
the interpretation of the results by various polygraph examiners.
RAGANO stated he would follow the advice he gave his clients and
refused to take the polygraph examination. RAGANO, however, did state that he would be more than willing to truthfully testify in
a court of law concerning the information contained in Chapter 29.

of his book captioned Mob Lawyer.

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7/27/95

Details: This memo is to confirm that on 7/27/95, I was interviewed by Mr. Joseph Szczesny, "Oakland Press." The purpose of the interview was the 20th anniversary of the disappearance of James Hoffa and Mr. Szczesny's questions relating thereto.

I confirmed with this reporter that FBI Detroit continues to have a pending case relating to this matter and that we still receive active leads which we follow up on relating to this major case. I advised that I could not comment on any details whatsoever beyond the above.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Credit SAC with 1 media contact.

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Memorandum



To : SAC, DETROIT (80-DE-63801)

Date 7/21/95

From : SA

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On Friday, 7/21/95, SAC JOSEPH D. MARTINOLICH, Jr., was interviewed on-camera by VINCE WADE, WJBK TV-2, Southfield, Michigan, at the Detroit FBI Office. SAC MARTINOLICH was interviewed regarding the disappearance of JIMMY HOFFA and the status of this matter with the FBI inasmuch as the 20th anniversary of his disappearance will be July 30, 1995.

This interview of SAC MARTINOLICH will be part of a four-part series TV-2 plans to air on the HOFFA case beginning Sunday, July 30, 1995.

Credit SAC MARTINOLICH with on-camera TV interview.

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In August, 1995, a caller, who identified himself as telephone number telephonically advised SA of the following:

JIMMY HOFFA is stuffed in an old house at waterford, Michigan. knows this because there is a terrible smell in the house and he watches X-Files and has ESP dreams.

resides at Michigan.

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gualify the veracity of statement, however, based on information to date, he had no reason to disbelieve that the statement was made. However, he obviously is not in a position to verify the veracity of the words is alleged to have communicated to

This communication is submitted for informational purposes only, and the Kalamazoo Resident Agency will take no further investigative action.

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On September 25, 1995, SA the following investigation:

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Michigan telephone number was contacted because he had advised United States Attorney SAUL GREEN that the client of his had information concerning the disappearance of JAMES R. HOFFA.

years of age, his client, claimed that he drove the vehicle as
HOFFA was kidnapped; that HOFFA's killer was present in the car,
and he knows where HOFFA is buried.

In return for locating HOFFA's body and testifying against the killer, wants and \$25,000.00; will take a Polygraph regarding this information, however, he wants total immunity in the HOFFA matter before he takes the Polygraph test. last requirement would be that if a trial were held he would want to be housed "in the country" not at a place certain. does not want to be placed in the Witness Protection Program.

Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA), Strike Force, Chief, KEITH E. CORBETT, was contacted and advised of the above. AUSA CORBETT agreed that he will speak to the limited to the HOFFA abduction in return for taking the Polygraph.

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On May 25, 1995, the following investigation was conducted by SA

Source stated that he/she was aware that former TEAMSTER boss JIMMY HOFFA was killed by guys in

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Source indicated that one of the main people who had it in for HOFFA was former TEAMSTER President FITZSIMMONS.

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Synopsis: This communication summarizes contacts with a potential informant, who desires to remain anonymous, who states that he can provide positive information regarding the disappearance and death of Hoffa.

Details: In 1992 source who is known to me from having

contacted me at that time inquiring as to the avallability of complete anonymity being provided by the FBI if he had significant information that he wanted to pass to the FBI. At that time, the source was advised that such anonymity could be quaranteed. Between 1992 and 1995, no further contact was initiated by source.

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In October, 1995, source telephonically contacted me bid and asked if I recalled the above noted conversation. He indicated that he wanted to send me some information and again inquired about anonymity. At that point, he indicated that he would send information and a request.

On 11/8/95, I received a letter from source which indicated that he could solve the Hoffa case for the FBI. However, the terms which were set forth in the proposal were essentially that the FBI agree to pay source \$ 4 million upon determining that his information was accurate and true and an additional million dollars for each arrest and conviction in the The communication provided no factual basis which would establish that the source knows anything about the Hoffa case.

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During the latter part of November, source contacted me telephonically to determine whether or not the letter had been received and what the FBI's response was. Source was advised at that time that the FBI does not provide money for information "on the come" and indicated to the source that he would have to have some significant information, perhaps including physical evidence, to generate enough interest in pursuing discussion concerning any significant payment, let alone payment of \$4 million dollars.

The source stated that he is confident that he can provide information which will lead to the solution of the Hoffa case. Although he did not offer any specifics, he stated that he believes that the Bureau has conducted an exhaustive investigation and he has followed many aspects of the case. He is familiar with a number of the personalities under suspicion by the FBI and knows many details of the case as determined through discussion with him after my reviewing the case synopsis provided by the case agent. Source advised that while the Bureau's investigation to date has been thorough, we have not been looking in the right place, ie. the disappearance of Hoffa and his murder are not connected in any way with traditional organized crime or the Teamsters Union.

Beyond this information, source has not provided anything further of significance on which to base an opinion as to the worth of his information.

Shortly following this conversation, the matter was discussed with Detroit SSA ASAC John Bell, and FBIHO SSA The second of the potential information which this source potentially possesses. However, the monetary demands of the source are unrealistic.

On 12/13/95, I recontracted source and advised that the FBI is willing to meet and talk with him at any time but that until such time as some significant information is furnished there can be no agreement as to monetary compensation and that, under any circumstances, it is very unlikely that the Bureau would meet the monetary expectations in this matter which source has.

Sources monetary expectations are based on a combination of reasons. First, he states that his current personal net worth can be documented at between

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dollars. He believes that if he furnishes the information in his possession that the individuals responsible for the disappearance of Hoffa will quickly determine who the source is and he will have to go in to hiding outside of the country and have to abandon his assets. Source is uninterested in any aspect of the government's witness protection program. Second, he contends that the solution of this case should be a matter of pride for the FBI and opines that the Bureau has probably spent much more than \$4 million on the investigation of this matter to date—without any significant success. Source contacted me because at the time of our first series of meetings associated with he was of the opinion that because of my position as a representative of the FBI and Attorney General I would have direct access to the Directors office and/or the highest levels of the Bureau.

In our discussion, I countered with the proposal that instead of paying the source \$4 million, the FBI could work with him to ensure his property and interests are protected in the event that he had to go into hiding. I pointed out that, under his proposal, even if he had to flee he would still maintain all of his assets or be able to transfer them and his argument concerning his personal position was not realistic.

The sources final position in this discussion was that he would meet with any knowledgeable representative of the FBI and tell his complete story and continue to make himself available at any time and at any place. The FBI would have as long as it wanted to determine the veracity and accuracy of his information through discussions and investigation. If the information that he provides is not completely truthful and verifiable, the FBI owes him nothing. However, should his information prove to be accurate, reliable, and a case prosecutable he would then be entitled to \$4 million dollars, plus an additional \$1 million for each arrest and conviction.

Memorandum



SAC, DETROIT (281A-DE-67821) (P)

Date 12/20/95

From

SA

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Subject:

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HOFFEX

Writer requests a polygraph examination for approximate year of birth regarding his role in the abduction, murder and burial of JAMES RIDDLE HOFFA. SA has scheduled the polygraph for January 30, 1996.

The polygraph exam is neither being used as a initial screening device nor in lieu of logical investigation.

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U.S. Department of Justice -



Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to Pile No.

477 Michigan Avenue Detroit, Michigan 48226 January 24, 1996

Warden

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Dear Warden

Inmate has agreed to take a Polygraph Examination administered by the FBI on January 30, 1996. We have tentatively scheduled the examination for 11:00 a.m., if that time is amenable to you and your correctional facility's routine.

The Polygraph examiner has requested a that has a chair with arms, a power outlet, a table or desk, and b2 that is

The FBI examiner will be SA will accompany him.

and

Very truly yours,

J. D. Martinolich, Jr. Special Agent in Charge

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By:

Dapervisory Special Agent

1 - Addressee (faxed) 1 - Detroit (281A-DE-67821) ARS:hrs

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(06/01/1995)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Precedence:	ROUTINE	Date:	05/28/1996
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Title:			· • .
Synopsis: through his at crime matters.	torney,	ect of an ITS matter knowledge of	
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To: Detroit From: Cleveland Re: 281A-CV-48188-N, 05/28/1996

asked and responded that he had personal conversation with a as they both have a common associate.

advised that

Information is being supplied to Detroit Division for whatever follow up is deemed necessary.

LIL MITNAS 184 BRS 03, 302 FD-302 (Rev. 10-6-95) FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION 07/02/1996 Date of transcription Michigan, was advised of the interviewing Agents' Identity and the purpose of the interview. He then provided the following information: discussed the Detroit said was going to testify arrests and Hoffa. against Giacalone, that Hoffa was put in the trunk of a car, taken to an Italian restaurant, the name of which started with an forgot the full name of the restaurant). Hoffa was killed, incinerated, and his ashes were destroyed. Investigation on 06/13/1996 Michigan File # 281A-DE-67821 07/01/1996 and / ARS:brs

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This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

FD-302a (Rev. 10-6-95)

281A-DE-67821

Continuation of FD-302 of

.On 06/13/1996, Page 2

has also told watched the Hoffa kidnapping/murder on June or July 30. if it was June or July.

The following descriptive data was obtained by binterview and observation:

Name
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Sex
Date of birth
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Memorandum



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(06/01/1995)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: PRIORITY

Date: 10/09/1996

To: DETROIT (INFO.)
JACKSONVILLE

From: LOS ANGELES

CE-6

Contact: SSA

Approved By:

Drafted By: pwm

Case ID #: 62-0 (Pending)

Title:

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INFORMATION CONCERNING

Synopsis: allegedly has information regarding a plot to kidnap JAMES HOFFA.

Rnclosures: Enclosed for Detroit is the original letter from dated 9/12/96 and enclosed for Jacksonville is a copy of letter dated 9/12/96.

Details: On 9/30/96, Los Angeles received the enclosure from the Los Angeles Sheriffs Department. In the enclosure, indicates that he had knowledge of a plot to kidnap and murder HOFFA.

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To: JACKSONVILLE From: LOS ANGELES Re: 62-0, 10/09/1996

LRAD(s):

Set Lead 1:

JACKSONVILLE

AT RAIFORD, FLORIDA

<u>Interview</u> information regarding the HOFFA disappearance.

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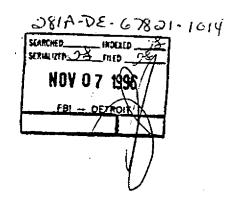
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On January 30, 1996, failed an FBI Polygraph regarding the Hoffa kidnapping nutter.

All letters from completeness of the file.

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or See



October 29, 1996

Saul Green, U.S. Attorney 211 W. Fort St. Ste. 2300 Detroit, MI 48226

Re: Information on Hoffa Case

Dear Mr. Green, .

Just to keep you up on what is happening in the probe we are conducting on our own, private divers have spent several weekends in the river where I drew them a map to look for the remains of J.H. as I told your people.

It seems they have found one piece of evidence that relates to my description of what was on the remains. They have also "dropped" an animal carcass weighted as the remains were to see where the current would have carried it. These divers are very devoted to finding our proof and will notify our people by cell phone when they do.

Arrangements have also been made for me to take a certified polygraph exam by a private examiner.

Investigations have also turned up proof of registration to a vehicle used.

When we make positive discovery, I am sure your office will be notified, as will the new Oakland county prosecutor's office.

cc: E. Correll Hus Man failed an

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Precedence: ROUTINE	Date: 11/12/1996
To: Detroit	
From: Detroit Squad C-8 Contact: SA	Ext.
Approved By:	
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Case ID #: 281A-DE-67821 (Pending)	
Title: HOFFEX	
Synopsis: Interview regarding	ng an overhear
Details: On 10/10/1996, the enclosed let Detroit. The letter writers, Conversations between the Hoffa kidnapping/murdek. They also conversation with concerning "Rat".	h and ey overheard concerning
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To: Detroit From: Detroit 281A-DE-67821, 11/12/1996 Re:

LEAD(s):

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DETROIT

AT MILAN, MI

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Precedence: PRIORITY

Date: 11/15/1996

To: VDetroit

Los Angeles

Attn: SSA

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From: Jacksonville

Squad 6

Contact: SSA

Approved By:

Drafted By:

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Case ID #:

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LA 62-0 - 34/35

Title:

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INFORMATION CONCERNING

Synopsis: Jacksonville is holding in abeyance inteview of UACB by Detroit. Jacksonville not in receipt of enclosure from Los Angeles.

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Reference: 281A-DE-67821 Serial 1013

LA 62-0 Serial 64646

Details: Jacksonville is holding in abeyance interview of until Detroit as OO evaluates information provided by re HOFFA. Jacksonville did not receive enclosure from Los Angeles in referenced communication.

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The attached was written by who has previously failed a Polygraph on this matter. This is being kept for the completeness of the file.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 12/23/1996

To: Detroit

Attn:

(Squad C-8)

From:

Squad C-8/AARA-

Contact:

Approved By: W

Drafted By:

(Pending) Case ID #: 281A-DE-67821

Title: HOFFEX

Synopsis: No effort being made to interview

Reasons set forth below.

281A-DE-67821 Serial 1/015 Reference:

Details: _On 10/10/1996,

directed a letter to

former special agent in Charge (SAC) Hal N. Helterhoff regarding information they purport to/have concerning the Hoffa case." In this letter they claimed to have overheard a and conversation between well-known OC member from the Eastern part of the United States. Both claimed to have overheard say to it's good that Tony Pro is dead because now they will

never be able to put the Hoffa case together." Purportedly this conversation occurred in July 1996.

According to the letter directed to

were lormer SAC Helterhoff, old them "Tony Pro when ordered the hit" on Horra.

would make any. It is unlikely that in the presence of or within. statement to It is less likely that and (hearing distance of would have any information about the murder of Hoffa. be considered a reliable Under no circumstances could informant, as both the writer and SA

The letter directed to former SAC Helterhoff ends, "We hope this information will help your investigation, and we look forward to talking with a team from your office soon."

Contact was made with Special Investigations Section who provided additional (SIS)

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To: Detroit 1_5... Re: 281A-DE-67821, 12/23/1996

information on 12/20/1996:

U.S. Secret Service (USSS) Agent advised on 12/19/1996 she and USSS Agent interviewed

On 12/23/1996 SIS informed that

It is recommended this interview not be conducted. It it would give credibility to and and generate needless interviews in the Detroit Division and in other field offices. It is clear that and will offer their services to any agency although their motivation is unknown at this time.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

UPLOADED.

Date: 04/10/1997

Precedence:
To: Detroit

Attn: SSRA

Grand Rapids RA

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From:

squad C-8

ROUTINE

Contact: Ext.

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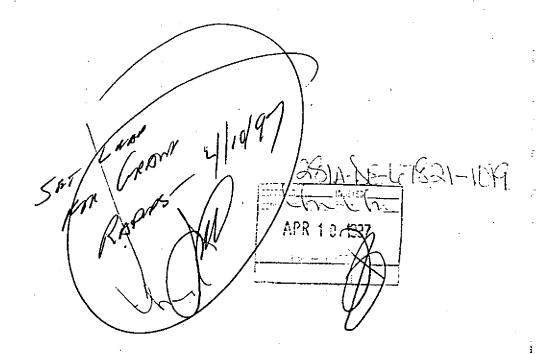
Title: HOFFEX

Synopsis: Lead to re-contact potential source.

Reference: 281A-DE-67821 Serial 1006

Administrative: Re EC from SSRA dated 12/13/1995.

Details: SSRA and advised in the above referenced EC, that he had contact with a potential source in this matter. SSRA noted that this person only initiated sporadic contact with him and was reluctant to provide the information concerning James R. Hoffa. The potential source had indicated that the information concerning Hoffa was "accurate and true".



To: Detroit From: 57C Re: 281A-DE-67821, 04/10/1997

LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1:

DETROIT

AT GRAND RAPIDS, MI

Locate, contact and arrange cooperation with potential source.

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P.V. MCNAMARA

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477 MICHIGAN AVENUE Contributor:

DETROIT,MI 48226-2518

The enclosed fingerprints and/or correspondence are being returned to you because of the reason(s)

Washington, D.C. 20537

indicated below: (Contributor) (Registration) (Service) number omitted. Incomplete descriptive data. Indicate correct sex of subject. Name (not shown at top of card) (name and signature differ). Date of birth (not given) (not clear) (incomplete). If unknown, give approximate age. Charge and/or date of arrest not given. Inked finger impressions not on card. Advise reason for submission of fingerprints; if criminal, furnish charge; or, if applicant, furnish position position for which applying. FBI number omitted. Rolled impressions of all ten fingers, plus plain impressions, must be submitted if FBI number not available. Advise if subject is deceased. Furnish final disposition. Impressions not black on standard white fingerprint card stock. Apparently mailed to us by mistake, Our records fail to reveal a statute from your state requiring fingerprinting for the position indicated on the enclosed card(s). There is no indication the enclosed cards and/or correspondence have been processed through your state identification bureau of central agency prior to submission to the FBI. Enclosed card may have been submitted by your office. Please list contributor, and return to FBI. If not submitted by your office, please advise. We do not include information unsupported by fingerprints in our files. Finger impressions on attached card are identical with those on file for subject of attached record; however, the description data on the card evidently pertains to another individual. Descriptive data on attached fingerprint card is similar to that on file for subject of attached record; however, finger impressions are for another individual. Finger impressions are identical with those on file for subject of FBI No name and description are similar to information on file of subject of FBI No A copy of each record is attached. Search by name only has been conducted with negative results. Fingerprint search has been conducted with negative results. Essential information omitted; name, sex, descriptive data, DOB, fingerprints, person to be notified in case of emergency. Submit ten finger impression fingerprint card (refer to our letter to all fingerprint contributors dated 6/17/85, copy attached). Fingerprint card with nonserious offense/no arrest charges. Fingerprint card with missing/incorrect contributor's name and number. Fingerprint illegible - submit another fingerprint card. REJ/50 - Transaction received for processing matches NFF record from your state. REJ/51 - SID on file different than SID on print. REJ/52 - SID previously established for another FNU.

After making appropriate changes and/or additions, please resubmit. Your cooperation is appreciated.

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REJ/53 - SID missing for NFF participant.

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The following investigation was conducted by SSA and SA on April 21, 1997, at Detroit, Michigan:	
Source was informed by that the	<i>ס</i> י
Government's case against will be convicted.	
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The government has been after both	67 A
since the death of Jimmy Hoffa.	
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	and SA Detroit, Michigan: was contacted and advised that he/she recently tarked to Source was informed by Government's case against Will be convicted. The government has been after both since the death of Jimmy Hoffa.

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U.S. Department of Justice

In Reply, Please Refer to File No. 281A-DE-67821

Federal Bureau of Investigation

James T. Foley Courthouse 445 Broadway Albany, NY 12207-2963 August 5, 1997

Mr. William C. Achcet Director Office of Field Investigations New York State Department of Motor Vehicles Albany, New York

Dear Mr. Achcet:

Reference is made a telephone conversation on August 5, 1997 between yourself and IA

As discussed in this telephone conversation

As way of background, provided sensitive information to the FBI.

it is requested that IA

of this office be contacted at

Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely, ...

VICTOR M. GONZALEZ Special Agent in Charge

By:

| Supervisory Special Agent

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FM FBI (281A-DE-67821) (P) Y7(\bar{b7}) 8/5/97
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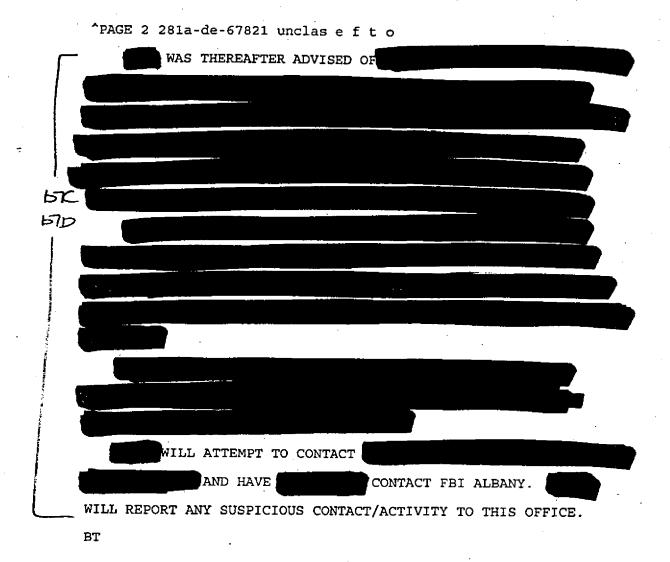
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RE DETROIT TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, AND NEWARK DATED AUGUST 5, 1997.

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Memorandum



Subject Date

Jimmy Hoffa

August 19, 1997

Supervisory Special Agent

Supervisory Special Agent Organized Crime Federal Bureau of Investigation Alan Gershel
Chief Assistant U.S. Attorney

Enclosed please find correspondence regarding the disappearance of Jimmy Hoffa. Please take whatever action you believe appropriate.

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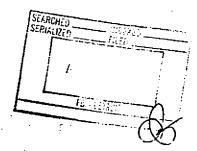
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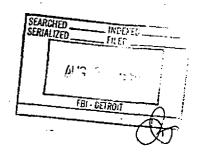
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THE RESULTS OF THE POLYGRAPH CLEARLY INDICATED THAT WAS BEING DECEPTIVE.

MANIPULATOR, WHO, WHILE SERVING A MANDATORY LIFE SENTENCE FOR

MURDER BECAUSE HE SHOT A WOMEN, HE HAD KIDNAPPED, THROUGH HER

HEAD, HAS DONE A MASTERFUL JOB OF RESEARCHING THE KNOWN PUBLIC

INFORMATION CONCERNING THE FBI'S OFFICIAL POSITION AND

THEORIES OF THE HOFFA CASE.

LATEST LETTER

INCORPORATES MATERIAL FROM HOFFEX CASE FILES THAT WERE

RECENTLY PRINTED BY "THE DETROIT SUNDAY JOURNAL".

INTERESTING, ON JANUARY 30, 1996, WAS UNABLE TO PROVIDE A SPECIFIC LOCATION OF HOFFA'S BODY.

DETROIT CONSIDERS INFORMATION TO BE FALSE AND WITHOUT ANY CREDITABILITY. IF THE BUREAU RECOMMENDS THAT THIS "NEW" INFORMATION WARRANTS FURTHER INVESTIGATION, DETROIT RECOMMENDS THAT UNDERGO A SECOND POLYGRAPH EXAMINATION BEFORE ANY FURTHER INVESTIGATION IS UNDER TAKEN.

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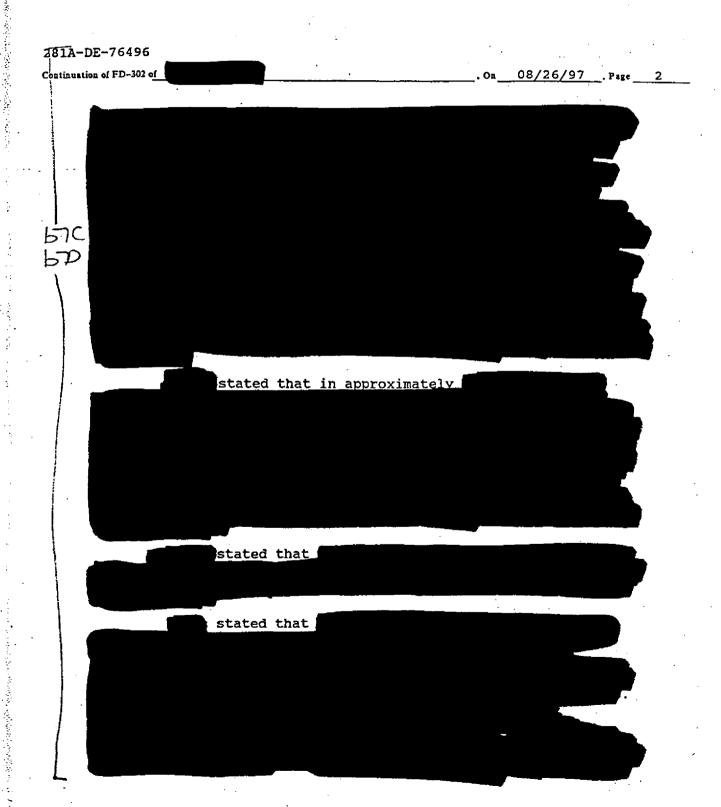
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Michigan, was contacted at telephone number Also present at the meeting were Assistant United States Attorney Walter Kozar and attorney thereafter provided the following information: ЫĊ 570 stated that Intestigation on 08/26/97 281A-DE-76496; 281A-DE-67821-\/\\? ठाट SA Date dictated 08/27/97

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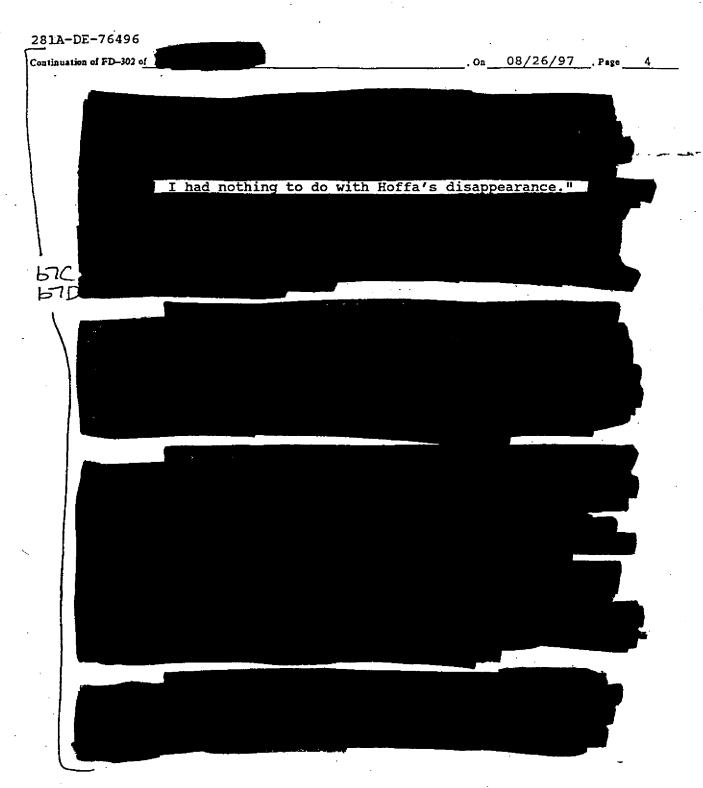
were involved in any way in any of his business ventures he so far described.

stated that

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stated that, even after the more recent hews accounts regarding Anthony Giacalone and his brother's alleged involvement with the Detroit Mafia, he does not condemn Joseph Giacalone. Stated that he has always thought of him as a fine young man, and a very successful businessman.

After reviewing with SA a record of by FBI Agents investigating the Hoffa disappearance, stated that he does not dispute the interviewing Agents' record



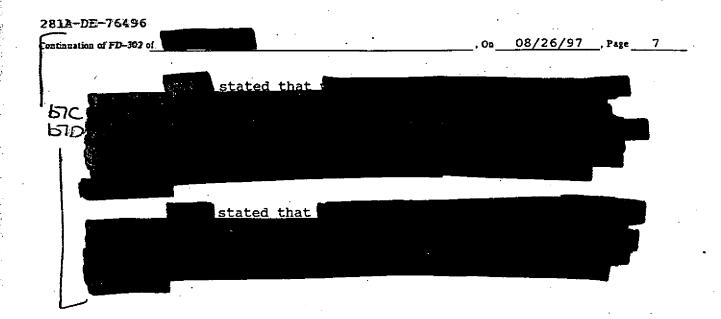
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recalled that in approximately November, 1986, a public meeting was held in Detroit wherein the Mayor's spokesman said that the City of Detroit had not made up it's mind on the industrial park location, but the next day's newspaper indicated that the City had picked the Jefferson/Conner location for "revitalization". It is stated that to his knowledge, no one attempted to influence city officials in any way throughout the whole condemnation matter, including by bribery, gratuities, graft or threats, and that to his knowledge no one, including the had any advanced knowledge from the City of Detroit about their plans.

281A-DE-76496 08/26/97 , Page 6 continuation of FD-302 of ЫC 510 stated that stated that the "powers to be" in Detroit originally talked Chrysler into the development, but because the City took so long, Chrysler may have lost interest and gave the City a deadline. stated that

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U.S. Department of Justice



(313) 226-9504

Alan M. Gershel Chief Assistant United States Attorney United States Attorney Eastern District of Michigan

211 W. Fort Street Suite 2300 Detroit, Michigan 48226

February 20, 1998

Supervisory Special Agent
Organized Crime
Federal Bureau of Investigation
477 Michigan Avenue
26th Floor
Detroit, MI 48226

Dear

Enclosed please find correspondence sent to this office regarding the Hoffa case by an inmate. Please do with this as you see fit.

Sincerely,

SAUL A. GREEN United States Attorney

ALAN M. GERSHEL Chief Assistant U.S. Attorney

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Name:

Date of birth:

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Eyes:

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Social Security

Account Number:

FBI Number:

Michigan Identification

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 06/24/1998

To: Laboratory

Unit Chief, Attn:

DNA Unit 2 FBI Laboratory

Carlo Barrella

by From: Detroit

Squad C-8

Contact: SA

Approved By:

Drafted By:

281A-DE-67821 (Pending) Case ID #:

Title: HOFFEX

PACKAGE CONTAINS

DNA testing. Synopsis: Request

Enclosures:

(E1224496) were

Details: The enclosed obtained on 06/23/1998, from

Holla, the former president of the Teamsters Union was kidnapped on 07/30/1975.

During the investigation of the Hoffa disappearance

the FEI

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To: Laboratory From: Detroit Re: 281A-DE-67821, 06/24/1998

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Set Lead 1:

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and in vacuum traps using determine the probability the

recovered in 1975 DNA process to

came from James Riddle Hoffa.

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advised of never having been arrested, and is not now wanted for any criminal charges.

did not ask for compensation, but asked only for the rollowing consideration: 11

be initiated against him for not having come forward sooner, and, that his identity be protected.

is further identified as follows:

Name:

Race: Sex:

DOB: SSAN: Height:

Weight: Hair:

No criminal history was found for

This information is provided to Detroit for whatever purpose deemed appropriate. will contact the writer again on Friday as Detroit has follow-up questions to be asked.

Detroit is asked to assist

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Re: 281A-DE-67821, 07/22/1998

If telephone numbers can be identified for wishes to be so advised, and will make contact.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 08/28/1998

Laboratory

Attn: DNA Unit FBI Laboratory

Lab #8070105 S AK

√From: Detroit

Squad C-8

Contact: SA

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Drafted By: # :kf

281A-DE-67821 (Pending) Case ID #:

Title: HOFFEX

DNA testing Synopsis: Request

Enclosures:

Details: The enclosed exhibits are being forwarded separately and should reference EC dated per request of Examiner Unit Chief, DNA Unit 2. 6/24/98 Attn:

Lead (s):

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Laboratory -

At Washington, DC

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Hoffa exults in victory

Teamsters chief calls for diminished role by overseers.

By Richard A. Ryan Senior Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON — Top aides to James P. Hoffa moved into the Teamsters union's "Marble Palace" national head-quarters today to go over financial and personnel records as the newly elected president acted quickly to grab control of the giant union.

Hoffa also insisted it is time for the government to "move on" and relinquish its 10-year supervisory control of the union.

In a Monday press conference celebrating his victory, Hoffa said he wants to move immediately to restore the union's battered finances by cutting "a bloated payroll, bloated legal fees."

"It is going to be our role to immediately institute safeguards for the budget and make sure that \$88 million (annual revenues) is spent for the benefit of members," Hoffa said.

OTEAMSTERS POLITICS



J. Scott Applewhite / Associated Press James P. Hoffa accepts congratulations from UPS delivery driver Kevin Broadus in Washington, D.C., on Monday.

The union now "totters on the brink of bankruptcy," he said, because former union officers, led by ex-President Ron Carey, "frittered away" the st62-million bank account the union had when Carey first took office in 1901.

Hoffa, with 55 percent of the

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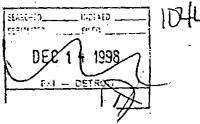
more than 355,000 votes cast, defeated Portland, Ore, union leader Tom Leedham, who received 30 percent, and John Metz, a St. Louis union official who had 6 percent.

But Hoffa has to wait at least 15 days to allow for post-election protests before Michael Cherkasky, the federally appointed election officer, can formally certify his victory. The certification delay could take longer if a protest must be investigated.

Hoffa said he hopes he can officially take office no later than Jan. 2.

With the federally supervised election completed, Hoffa said he thinks it is time for the government now to take "a diminished role" in its supervision of the L4-million member union.

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The Teamsters have been under federal control since 1989 when the union entered into a consent decree with the Justice Department in settlement of a civil racketeering suit charging the union with being dominated by organized crime.

Hoffa said the consent decree is open-ended and could result in the government maintaining its supervisory role "for the next 100 years, the next 200 years."

"A lot of the work by the government has been done," Hoffa said. "They have eliminated certain pockets of corruption in the union. It is time for us to move on."

But Cherkasky said a continuing government role is warranted.

"The consent decree is the most important government effort to combat organized crime and it has made great progress,"

he said.

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Hoffa promised the union would demonstrate "a new mil-

itancy" in organizing and contract negotiations.

Recognizing that the union's membership is dropping. Hoffa said it is critical for the Teamsters to come up with "new and innovative" ways of attracting people other than traditional truck drivers to join the union.

He sees new opportunities in organizing health care workers, particularly those in nursing homes, public employes, food warehousers and regional truck drivers.

"We're going to spend a lot of time on organizing because that is the only way any union can survive today," he said.

He also said he has a plan to resolve lingering disputes from the former Detroit newspapers strike, but refused to divulge what he might do. He said he and Detroit union leaders "are constantly talking about new approaches to getting that strike settled." He later confided: "We will settle that strike."

Hoffa said he intends to "reach out," to Teamsters who opposed him. "This is the time to be magnanimous," he said. "We have won a resounding victory."

Hoffa said his father, the legendary James Riddle Hoffa, who headed the union in the 1950s and 60s, "would be happy that I won. He would be excited about it."

"We're going to spend a lot of time on organizing because that is the only way any union can survive today."

JAMES P. HOFFA Teamsters president

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On August 31, 1999, SA collowing investigation:

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SA telephonically contacted Unit Chief
DNA Unit 2, FBI Laboratory, and asked Unit Chief
If there were any results regarding Hoffa's DNA testing.
indicated he did not know the status but he would have the person assigned the case call the investigating Agent.



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE 03/29/1999 Date: To: Birmingham Attn: Jacksonville Prom: Detroit Squad C-8 Contact: Approved By: Drafted By: Case ID #: 281A-DE-67821 (Pending) 44D-BH-45184 (Pending) **HOFFEX** Title: (281A-DE-67821); 57C UNSUB; DESTRUCTION OF SIXTEENTH BAPTIST CHURCH, Birmingham, Alabama, September 15, 1963 NATIONAL CHURCH ARSON INITIATIVE RELIGIOUS DISCRIMINATION -FORCE/VIOLENCE; CIVIL RIGHTS - RACIAL DISCRIMINATION MAJOR CASE # 129 (44D-BH-45184) Synopsis: Detroit's evaluation of information from stated in his interview of 03/04/1999 Details: heard through Hoffa's (FD-302, 44D-BH-45184) that, Detroit has previously identified this self proclaimed driver in the Hoffa kidnaping as has claimed to have been involved in the kidnaping and disposal of Hoffa.

and unable to provide any additional facts concerning the

kidnaping that are not already public knowledge.

On 01/30/1996,

was evasive, dishonest

To: Birmingham 50m: Detroit Re: 281A-DE-67821, 03/29/1999

Global Exploration has been in indirect contact with FBI Detroit. Detroit has advised Global that has no credibility in this matter, and that there was no reason to believe that Hoffa had been disposed of in the area or manner as described by

Detroit has reviewed the materials attached to the EC from Birmingham to Detroit dated 03/10/1999. Detroit is skeptical of any of claims or documentation.

Detroit considers the lead from Birmingham covered.

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The following dissemination was made by SA
on November 16, 1999:
On the above date, SA made contact with SA
of the Detroit Division and advised him of information
provided by source. SA provided SA copies of the
blc communications provided by source on October 31, 1999, and
November 10, 1999. SA advised that the information would
he reviewed to determine whether it could be used in case file

Investigation on 11/16/99 at Saginaw, Michigan (telephonically)

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Source, who is not in a position to testify, provided the following information:

Source addressed two letters to SA mail. These letters were received by SA on November 16, 1999.

These attached communications provided information concerning DE file 281A-DE-67821.

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Title: HOFFEX; et al;

OO:DETROIT

Synopsis: Retention of evidence.

Details: The above listed cases are all Organized Crime cases. The RICO statue has a statue of limitation provision which has allowed Detroit Organized Crime cases to use evidence over thirty years old. All of the bulky evidence in the above listed cases years old. All of the bulky evidence in the above that it should be retained for at least ten more years to ensure that it can be used in future Organized Crime trials.

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Precedence: DEADLINE 03/06/2000 Date: 03/08/2000

To: Director's Office

Att.: Office of Public and

Congressional Affairs (OPCA)

Fugitive Publicity and

Internet Media Services Unit,

Criminal Investigative

(202) 324-0945 Asst. Director Ruben Garcia, Deputy Assistant Director

David Knowlton,

From: Detroit

SAC Squad

Contact:

Media Coordinator,

Approved By:

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Drafted By:

Case ID #: #60-HQ-1077659-4051

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TELEVISION/MOTION PICTURE PUBLICITY Title:

CABLE TELEVISION DOCUMENTARY

TOWERS PRODUCTIONS

DANIEL ZUCKERMAN

REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE

Synopsis: Assistance by the Detroit Division for a biography/ documentary about James R. Hoffa, HOFFEX, at the request of Towers Productions.

Administrative: EC from FBIHQ, dated 02/28/2000, captioned above.

Details: Daniel Zuckerman of Towers Productions is currently producing a documentary for the cable channel Arts and Entertainment about the life of James R. Hoffa.

John B. Bell, Jr., Special Agent in Charge, Detroit FBI, has agreed to an on-camera interview with Towers Productions regarding the Hoffa case, and this interview will take place at 9:30 a.m., Friday, 03/17/2000, at the Detroit FBI Office. SAC Bell will discuss the FBI's current role in this case and provide

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To: Director's Office From: Detroit

Re: 80-HQ-1077659, 03/08/2000

some historical insight as well. Further, it should be noted only information suitable for dissemination to the public will be provided and Media Representative SA will be present during the interview.

This information was telephonically communicated to OPCA, on 03/02/2000, and SA has been designated the point of contact for the on-camera interview. SA has been in telephonic contact with Daniel Zuckerman of Towers Productions wherein the agreed upon interview date of Friday, 03/17/2000, was set.

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Date: 03/08/2000

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281A-DE-67821-359

HOFFEX Title:

Synopsis: Open sub file.

Details: In order to computerize the 1A section of the original HOFFEX file, DE 79-359, it is recommended that a new sub file be

opened, 281A-DE-67821-359.

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editorial board appearance

The above should be included in the Speech Statistical Report submitted to FBIHQ.

SAC John E. Bell was interviewed at the Detroit IFBI office by Towers Productions for a documentary on Timmy Hoffer to air on the AFE Cable Channel July 30, 2000. This interview var coordinated and expressed by FBIHD.

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Precedence: DEADLINE 03/27/2000

Date: 03/27/2000

To: Director's Office

Attn: Office of Public and

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Fugitive Publicity and

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Title:

TELEVISION/MOTION PICTURE PUBLICITY

CABLE-TELEVISION PROGRAM

TOWERS PRODUCTIONS

JON JOEBGEN

REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE

Synopsis: Details of a 03/29/2000 interview of Detroit Special Agent in Charge (SAC) John E. Bell, Jr. by Towers Productions re James R. Hoffa, HOFFEX, 281A-DE-67821.

Administrative: EC from FBIHQ, dated 03/20/2000, captioned above.

Details: Jon Joebgen of Towers Productions is currently producing an episode for the History Channel series "History's Mysteries" based on the uncertainties surrounding the life and death of James R. Hoffa.

John E. Bell, Jr., SAC Detroit Division, has agreed to an on-camera interview with Towers Productions regarding the Hoffa case, and the interview is currently scheduled to take place at 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, 03/29/2000 at the Detroit FBI office. SAC Bell will discuss the FBI's current role in this case as well as provide some historical insight. It should be noted that only information suitable for dissemination to the

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To: Director's Office From: Detroit Re: 80-HQ-1077659, 03/27/2000

camera interview.

public will be provided. Assistant Media Representative SA will be present during the interview.

SA has been in telephonic contact with Jon Joebgen of Towers Productions, and has discussed the interview with Detroit's Chief Division Counsel, SA as well as the appropriate attornies at the United States Attorney's Office in Detroit. This information was telephonically communicated to OPCA, on 03/23/2000, and SA should be considered the point of contact for the on-

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Memorandum



To	:	SAC	detroit	Date	4/10/2000	
From	:	SA		ЫC	• '	

Subject: NEWS MEDIA MATTERS

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	radio appearance
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·	in-depth feature article
	editorial board appearance

The above should be included in the Speech Statistical Report submitted to FBIHQ.

SAC Bell was interviewed by Towers Productions for an episode on "The History Channel" reguling uncertainties Surrounding the life and death of James R. Hoffer, Hoffex 281A-DE-67821.

Credit SAC With 17V appearance.

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On June 12, 2000, the following investigation was

by SA

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	source about his involvement in the kidnapping murder of Jimmy Hoffa.
	became involved in the Hoffa murder because he had done killings for The Hoffa kidnapping began at the machus Red Fox Cafe. The murder could not be done by Detroit people because people were afraid that Hoffa would realize that he was in danger, therefore, people were brought in from New Jersey to kill Hoffa.
	Hoffa was killed because Hoffa wanted his old job back but Provenzano did not want Hoffa back. It was also believed that Hoffa had kept "books" on many people including those in the union and mobsters. Hoffa kept these books buried in a yard at a house in Lake Orion, possibly his mother's house. Hoffa had threatened to turn these books over to the FBI.
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	Two of the people who came from New Jersey were
	The authority to kill Hoffa came from the Genovese family. After Hoffa was killed the buried books were recovered.
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	cemetery	The Detroit mob family bought a cemetery in 1975. The was 89 acres on Ridge Road near Ann Arbor or Ypsilanti.
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Macomb Daily columnist last to interview Hoffa

By Stephen Bitsoll

Macomb Daily Staff Writer

Just days before his disappearance in 1975, Jimmy Hoffa granted an interview to then-WXYZ-TV (Channel 7) reporter Jerry Stanecki, which later appeared in Playboy.

In the interview, Hoffa rails against his handpicked successor Frank Fitzsimmons, both Jack and Bobby Kennedy ("creep... creep..."), John Dean and Charles Colson, but defends Richard Nixon, Jim Garrison, Teddy Kennedy and several reputed organized crime figures.

Hoffa admitted to being a millionaire, but refused to comment on whether he was a billionaire or a "zillionaire."

Hoffa was furious with Fitzsimmons, because he in effect gave Fitzsimmons leadership of the Teamsters while he was in prison on jury tampering charges, but Fitzsimmons wouldn't give it up when his sentence was commuted by President Nixon.

And he charged that Dean and Colson added the provision prohibiting him from becoming president of the Teamsters again without the president's knowledge.

Hoffa had sympathy for anyone who'd been raked over the coals by the media or the courts. While he disliked Jack and Bobby Kennedy, he liked Teddy Kennedy. He seemed convinced that Teddy would be drafted at the 1976 Democratic convention, and win. Chappaquiddick wouldn't be a problem, he said, because Teddy wasn't convicted of a serious crime.

He also professed a disbelief in the Mafia or organized crime, and insisted some reputed organized crime figures were railroaded.

And he declared he didn't need a bodyguard, not because he had no enemies, but because if you have a bodyguard you're careless.

Some highlights from Stanecki's tapes:

■ On whether he has an ego: "Man don't have an ego if he don't have any money and he doesn't have any ambition. Certainly I got an ego."

■ On what's more important — power or money: "Power. Power gets money, (then) you got both."

■ On why Jack Kennedy was killed: "Who knows what deals he had that he didn't keep." Was it Fidel Castro? "That makes sense to me. They tried to kill him."

■ On whether Jim Garrison was a kook: "Jim Garrison's a smart man."

■ On whether Richard Nixon, who was in Dallas at the time, could have been involved: "He ain't that kind of guy."

On why Bobby Kennedy was killed: "He made a lot of deals with a lot of people and didn't keep 'em."

■ On why Martin Luther King was killed: "That's another story. Fanatics, Ku Klux (Klan) ..."

■ On Frank Fitzsimmons: "He kept telling everybody, 'Don't do anything to rock the boat. I'm taking care of it with Mitchell.' He'd been lying all along."

"Hoffa — The Last Interview" is available for \$7 (\$5, plus \$2 shipping and handling) from Jerry Stanecki by calling (888) 732-8500, or go to www.jerrystanecki.com.

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 Provenzano in front of the Machus Red Fox restaurant in Bloomfield
 Township.

Witnesses reported seeing him get into a maroon Mercury with several other men, possibly driven by Charles "Chuckie" O'Brien, who Hoffa helped raise. After the car drove away, he was never seen again.

The FBI believes Hoffa was quickly killed by two hit men from New Jersey. Then the body was either disposed of in a vat of molten zinc at an auto bumper plating facility owned by two partners with mob connections or burned in a Detroit incinerator.

An FBI memo titled "Hoffex," an outline of what likely happened based on interviews and collected information, does state who the agency believes was behind the murder, but those names have not been made public.

"My personal opinion is, this case will never be solved in terms of a prosecution, but it is solved in law enforcement parlance: who did it and how it happened," said John Anthony, a former FBI special agent who now heads the security division of Detroit Newspapers.

Anthony and others say investigators believe Hoffa made overtures to President Nixon to trade information on union corruption. It was discovered by mob leaders who then ordered the hit. Macomb County Prosecutor Carl Marlinga, who was serving on the U.S. Justice Department's organized crime strike task force in the 1970s, said two men from Clinton Township handled the destruction of Hoffa's body. Both men are still alive, he said.

"I think Jimmy Hoffa was a dedicated labor leader who was simply too confident of his own abilities," Marlinga said. "He really believed he could deal with organized crime people when he wanted to and it wasn't that easy."

Jerry Stanecki, an author and former television news reporter, spent six months with Hoffa before the disappearance as they worked on an extensive interview.

He said despite Hoffa's tough guy persona, he had a genuine warmth that attracted people.

"I never thought this mystery would linger this long," Stanecki said. "Sadly, whoever is responsible for his death didn't have the decency to give the family some closure.
After 25 years, perhaps the time is now."

Neither James P. Hoffa nor the Teamsters would provide a statement for this article, according to a spokeşman for the union in Washington, D.C.

But there can be little doubt that the Hoffa family has mixed feelings this week action in P. Hoffa continues to rebuild the 1.5-member union.

James P. Hoffa has withstood a bruising battle to gain the Teamsters presidency in 1999 and hopes to bring an end to the federal government's oversight of his union while solidifying his leadership position.

Like his father, James P. Hoffa could play a crucial role in this year's presidential campaign because the Teamsters have large memberships in several swing states such as Michigan, Ohio and Illinois.

Whitty, the UDM professor, said the younger Hoffa is creating a bipartisan coalition that will play a strong role in politics for years to come.

"Jimmy Hoffa is up in heaven looking down with a satisfied smile at his son's leadership and revitalization of the labor movement," Whitty said.





Teamsters Union leader Jimmy Hoffa in Chattanooga, Tenn., on Aug. 21, 1969



Teamsters Union President James R. Hoffa, left, stands with Arithony Provenzano, right, and fellow union members during Hoffa's visit to New Jersey.

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Gone Without a Trace



25 Years After Hoffa Vanished, the Feds Still Haven't Gotten Their Man

James Hoffa, president of the Teamsters' Union, attends the start of trucking contract talks at the Washington Hitton Hotel, in Washington, D.C., Jan. 18, 1967. He vanished on July 30, 1975 – 25 years ago Sunday. (AP Photo)

By Michael James

NEWS.com

— First of all, if you believe Jimmy Hoffa is buried under the end zone of Giants Stadium, you're probably wrong.

"He ain't here," insists John Samerjan, vice president of public affairs for the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority, which runs the stadium.

"We have never been contacted, in the history of the authority, by any law-enforcement agency or investigative authority about the possibility of this being true," Samerjan says.

Maybe not. But since Hoffa vanished 25 years ago this Sunday from a parking lot in suburban Detroit, scores of other folk legends, rumors and legitimate leads have led to few public conclusions on the disappearance of one of America's most prominent labor leaders ever.

Accounts of varying reliability place Hoffa's murdered body at the bottom of Michigan lakes or rivers. Others say he was dumped in Florida, or encased in concrete in a Los Angeles nightclub. Still others say his remains were incinerated. Nearly all say the mob was involved.

Although Hoffa disappeared in 1975 and



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was declared legally dead in 1982, the FBI's official investigation remains open, and it continues to appeal to the public for help.

"The objective is to attempt to locate Jimmy Hoffa, and then engage in an investigation based upon the facts once he's located, "says Hank Glaspie, a special agent in the FBI's Detroit field office.

Past FBI statements and leaked reports on early stages of the investigation indicate the agency believes the mob was behind Hoffa's disappearance, perhaps because it was concerned about his efforts to reclaim leadership of the Teamsters.

Lately, agents on the case "don't have anything new to provide that would warrant a statement," Glaspie says.

The Teamsters and the Hoffa family will not comment on the twenty-fifth anniversary of James R. Hoffa's disappearance, according to a Teamsters spokesman. Hoffa's son, James P. Hoffa, currently holds his father's old position as head of the union.

Five years ago, however, on the twentieth anniversary of Hoffa's disappearance, about 300 people close to Hoffa attended a memorial service at the Most Holy Trinity Church in Detroit.

"There's an emptiness that we have and we're never going to resolve it," James P. Hoffa said at the time. "This is a closure today. We've lost a loved one, but we've got to go on. Today is a healing day."

The elder Hoffa "literally touched millions and millions of workers in this country ... who know a quality of life that was not possible before Jimmy Hoffa," said Ed Scribner, who was the Metropolitan Detroit AFL-CIO president.

Hoffa started out as a rank-and-file worker, but rose to the top of Detroit Teamsters Local 299, which he tranformed into a regional powerhouse with 15,000 members.

Many teamsters revere Hoffa as a legend who made their union one of the most influential America has ever seen. As president of the international organization in 1964, he negotiated the first

industry-wide contract, the National Master Freight Agreement.

Legal troubles in the mid-1960s loosened Hoffa's grip on the union. Eventually, he served four years in jail for jury tampering and defrauding a Teamsters pension fund. President Nixon commuted his sentence in 1971, but conditions of his release barred him from union activity until 1980.

On the afternoon of July 30, 1975, Hoffa was last seen waiting in front of the Machus Red Fox restaurant in Bloomfield Township, Mich. It is uncertain whether anybody saw him leave.

Investigators have put forth the theory that he joined other men inside a maroon Mercury. The car pulled off, and the 62-year-old Hoffa was never seen again.

At the time of his disappearance, Hoffa was attempting to overturn the ban and once again lead the Teamsters. There was speculation in the media that in 1976 he would be allowed to challenge his hand-picked successor, Frank Fitzsimmons, to head the union.

According to previously secret FBI case files excerpted in 1997 by the *Detroit Sunday Journal*, members of the mafia—referred to as "La Cosa Nostra" in the files—saw Hoffa as a threat.

"Informed sources of the Detroit Division [of the FBI] are generally of the opinion that Hoffa was abducted and 'hit' with the knowledge, consent and possible participation of the Detroit LCN [La Cosa Nostra] family," read an Oct. 31, 1975 FBI report, according to an Internet archive of the Sunday Journal's two-part series on the FBI files.

"All sources believe that Hoffa's disappearance is directly connected with his attempts to regain power within the Teamsters Union, which would possibly have an effect on the LCN's control and manipulation of Teamster Pension Funds," the newspaper's excerpt continued. "The sources indicate further that even though Hoffa cooperated with them on Teamster loans, Fitzsimmons is also cooperating and,

as such, the LCN would want to maintain conditions as they are. It has been rumored among sources that Hoffa, while attempting to gain control of the Teamsters, may have provided information to the Government in exchange for a favorable decision concerning the lifting of his Union restrictions."

Glaspie said an FBI investigation into the 1,074 pages of copied 1975 investigation files cited by the Sunday Journal indicated "it appears that the [newspaper's] copies were legitemate. Beyond that we really don't have any comment."

Since Hoffa's disappearance, several theories have arisen on what became of him. The FBI apparently investigated many of them. Others apparently were deemed less likely.

Such seems to be the case with the story told by Donald Frankos. Frankos, a former prison inmate, told *Playboy* magazine in 1989 that he was involved in a plot to kill Hoffa, and that Hoffa's remains were mixed with concrete used to build Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J.

"Clearly, nobody who has ever been involved in the case ever thought it was true," Samerjan says. "There has never been any indication to us from any legitemate [law-enforcement] source to go digging on the 750 or so acres here."

The early investigation files, as cited by the Sunday Journal, presented other theories about Hoffa's fate. According to the files, the newspaper said, the FBI looked into claims implying that Hoffa remained alive in the weeks after his disappearance. For instance, one man, a teamster, claimed someone who appeared to be Hoffa disguised in fake glasses had checked into his wife's hotel after 1 a.m. on Aug. 2 under the name "Jewell."

Rumors have flown ever since.

Last November, *Boating* magazine, acting on information from a tipster, failed to discover Hoffa's body in the Ausable River, 175 miles from Detroit. But the magazine has posted a \$10,000 reward to

anyone who points investigators to the remains of Hoffa's remains in the river by the end of this year. It is not a joke, says Nancy Nisselbaum, the magazine's editor.

"We seriously think that's where he is," Nisselbaum says. "This could be the one."

But as time goes by, like other observers, she is getting less and less optimistic about finding Hoffa.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

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From: Detroit

Squad C-8

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Synopsis: Request captioned file (52C-DE-80970) be marked for permanent retention and be permanently maintained in the C-8 Squad area with the HOFFEX files (281A-DE-67821).

Details: The disappearance of former Teamsters President James Riddle Hoffa in 1975 continues to generate extensive media interest and remains a pending investigation. The HOFFEX files (281A-DE-67821) have been stamped, "Do Not Destroy" because of their historical significance and are maintained in locked cabinets in the C-8 Squad area.

In 1997, parts of the HOFFEX investigative files were located in the basement of a recreational facility and subsequently released to the press. An investigation was initiated as to the circumstances surrounding the loss of this material and the results of this investigation are maintained in 52C-DE-80970. The information contained in this material is of continuing interest to the news media and also contains some identities of individuals and informant symbol numbers.

In view of the above, it is requested that Detroit file 52C-DE-80970 be stamped "Do Not Destroy" and that it be permanently charged out to be maintained with the HOFFEX files in the locked C-8 Squad cabinets.

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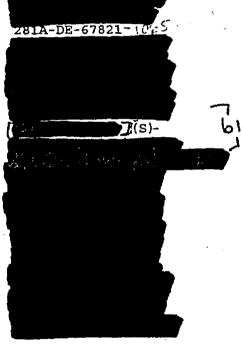
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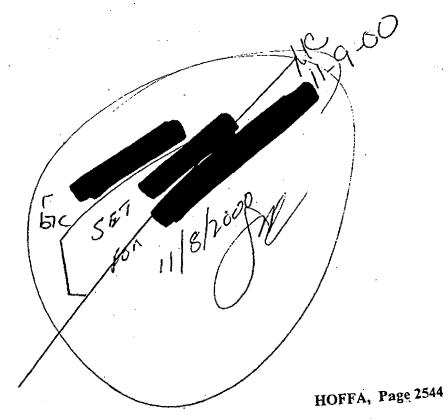
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Case ID #: 281A-DE-67821 (Pending)

Title: HOFFEX

Synopsis: Set lead to review pertinent documents and prepare briefing book.

Details: A meeting has been scheduled on 11/20/2000, involving key investigative participants who have been or are currently involved in the investigation of the HOFFEX matter. The purpose of this meeting is to focus on any investigative emphasis or targets which may help to bring this matter to a successful conclusion.



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To: Detroit From Detroit Re: 281A-DE-67821, 11/08/2000

LEAD (s):

Set Lead 1:

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Review case file or related matters for pertinent information to be included in a briefing book to be furnished to meeting participants.

Set Lead 2:

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Prepare briefing book to be utilized during scheduled meeting.

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 12/08/2000

To: Detroit

Attn: SAC John E. Bell, Jr.

ASAC Kevin R. Brock

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From: Detroit

Squad C-8

Contact: SSA

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Case ID #: √281A-DE-67821 (Pending)

Title: HOFFEX

Synopsis: A documentation of the Hoffex Conference and the

by conclusions reached.

Enclosures: Hoffex Conference Agenda.

Details: On 11/20/2000, at 10:00 AM, a conference meeting was held in the SAC's Conference Room of the Detroit Division concerning the HOFFEX investigation. This conference was chaired by SAC John E. Bell. Jr. Also in attendance was ASAC Kevin R.

by SAC John E. Bell, Jr. Also in attendance was ASAC Kevin R. Brock, SSA HOFFEX case Agent

and IRS follows:

Strike Force Chief Keith E. Corbett Former Strike Force Attorney Buffalo Strike Force Former/retired SAs

This communication will not attempt to document all of the discussion that took place. Primarily, the attached HOFFEX Conference Agenda was followed and some highlighted discussions and conclusions are set forth.

It was agreed by all attendees that

or prosecution in this matter at this time would have to be

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would be the only possible prosecutive approach.

There was a discussion regarding the

former AUSA and current Strike Force Chief Corbett speculated that this new evidence, along with all the other evidence that had been gathered regarding in the assumed abduction and

murder of Hoffa, could result in a

It is Strike Force Chief Corbett's opinion that all the pertinent gathered evidence could be

however, the United States Attorney would have to agree to this approach. It was mentioned that due to the uncertainty of the ongoing Presidential election, it is not clear who the United States Attorney will be in the near future. Corbett was reluctant to approach the U.S. Attorney with prosecutive recommendations until the election outcome is resolved. At that point Corbett advised that his office would with the

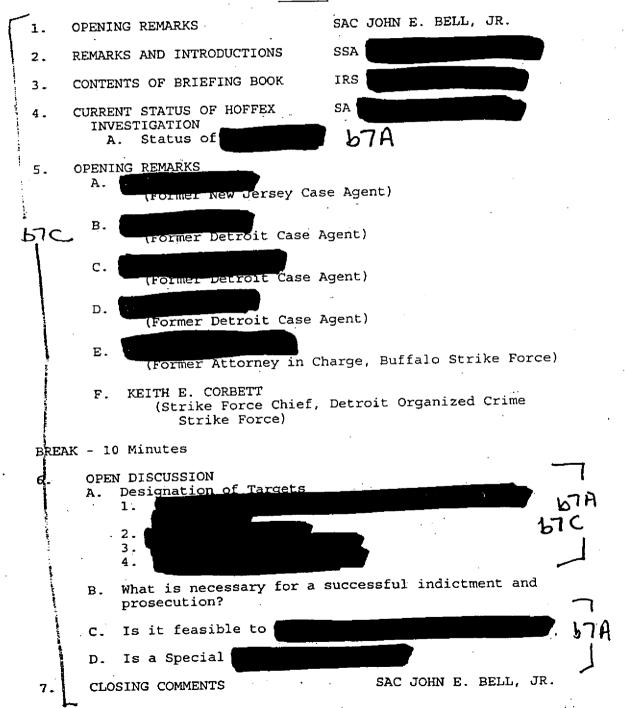
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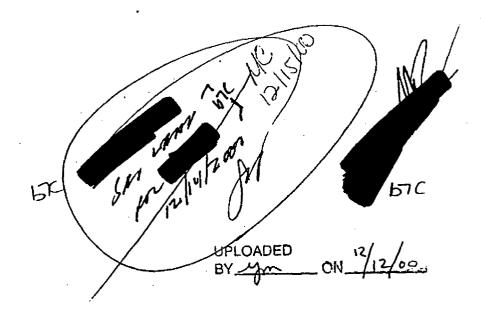
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Synopsis: To enclose information received at FBIHQ.

Enclosure(s): Four page facsimile received from US

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Details: The enclosed documentation was received at FBIHQ on November 21, 2000 and is forwarded to Detroit for any action deemed necessary.



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Date 3/12/93

From : SA

Subject: HOFFEX

Re GAMTAX investigation (281A-DE-58586).

281A-DE-67821 SUB N file will be created to maintain and correlate all relevant reports in the GAMTAX investigation (281A-DE-58586) which pertain to captioned investigation. The purpose of the sub file is to collect all pertinent reports involving ANTHONY "TONY JACK" GIACALONE,

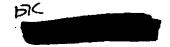
and others that provide Information related to the HOFFEX investigation; this determination will be made by the GAMTAX case agents and the organized crime supervisor.

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Recent Developments

On 02/27/2001, the funeral for ANTHONY GIACALONE, aka TONY JACK, a Capo in the Detroit LCN Family, was held in Detroit. GIACALONE, 82 years of age, died at St. John's Hospital in Detroit on Friday 02/23/2001. He suffered a long term heart and kidney illness that had prevented him from being brought to trial. GIACALONE had been charged with violating Title 18, United States Code, Section 1962, Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations (RICO) in the 1996 federal indictment of the entire hierarchy the Detroit LCN Family except one Capo.

Background

JAMES RIDDLE HOFFA disappeared on 07/30/1975 while alledgedly waiting to meet with GIACALONE and ANTHONY PROVENZANO, aka TONY PRO. It is believed that HOFFA may have been attempting to regain control of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Union and planned to meet with PROVENZANO and GIACALONE to discuss a disagreement with them over who would control the union. PROVENZANO was an official with the New Jersey Teamsters and a member of the Genovese LCN Family. HOFFA was last seen at approximately 2:30pm in the parking lot of the Machus Red Fox Restaurant in West Bloomfield, NJ. He had alledgedly told others he was going there to meet GIACALONE and PROVENZANO. PROVENZANO claimed to have no knowledge about HOFFA's disappearance and died of a heart attack in 1988 while serving a lengthy prison sentence for labor racketeering and murder. GIACALONE also claimed not to know anything about HOFFA's disappearance, responding to one question, "Maybe he took a little trip." HOFFA is presumed to have been murdered over the disagreement and his remains have never been recovered.

On 03/13/1996, GIACALONE, most of the hierarchy, and much of the membership of the Detroit LCN Family were indicted in a twenty-five count, 17 person indictment returned by a Federal Grand Jury in the Eastern District of Michigan. This investigation, titled GAMTAX, focused on the Detroit LCN Family's collection of "street taxes" from illegal gambling operations, loansharking, extortion, and acts of violence used to support these activities.

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On 04/29/1998, guilty verdicts were returned against four defendants on charges including RICO; Hobbs Act Extortion, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951; Conspiracy, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 371; and Obstruction of Justice, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1510. Those convicted were

The Detroit Division and the United States Attorney's office for the Eastern District of Michigan have since been pursuing appeals of extraordinarily lenient sentences and forfeiture rulings by U.S. District Judge John Corbett O'Meara against these subjects.

is the only defendant still awaiting trial. All others have pled guilty or been convicted at trial.

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